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WASHINGTON NEWS.

An Important Veto Message from President Johnson.

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THE VETO MESSAGE.

To the Senate of the United States:

I have examined with care the bill, which originated in the Senate and has been passed by the two Houses of Congress, to amend an act entitled "An Act to establish a Bureau for the Relief of Freedmen and Refugees, and for other purposes." Having with much regret come to the conclusion that it would not be consistent with the public welfare to give my approval to the measure, I return the bill to the Senate with my objections to its becoming a law.

I might call to mind, in advance of these objections, that there is no immediate necessity for the proposed measure.

The act to establish a bureau for the relief of freedmen and refugees, which was approved in the month of March last, has not yet expired. It was thought stringent and extensive enough for the purpose in view. Before it ceases to have effect, further experience may assist to guide us to a wise conclusion as to the policy to be adopted in time of peace.

I have with Congress the strongest desire to secure to the freedmen the full enjoyment of their freedom and their property and their entire independence and equality in making contracts for their labor. But the bill before me contains provisions which in my opinion are not warranted by the Constitution, and are not well suited to accomplish the end in view.

The bill proposes to establish, by authority of Congress, military jurisdiction over all parts of the United States containing refugees and freedmen. It would, by its very nature, apply with most force to those parts of the United States in which the freedmen most abound; and it expressly extends the existing temporary jurisdiction of the Freedmen's Bureau, with greatly enlarged powers, over those States in which the ordinary course of judicial proceedings has been interrupted by the rebellion. The source from which this military jurisdiction is to emanate is none other than the President of the United States, acting through the War Department and the Commissioner of the Freedmen's Bureau. The agents to carry out this military jurisdiction are to be selected either from the army or from civil life. The country is to be divided into districts and subdistricts, and the number of salaried agents to be employed may be equal to the number of counties or parishes in all the United States where freedmen and refugees are to be found. The subjects over which this military jurisdiction is to extend in every part of the United States, include protection to all employes, agents and officers of this Bureau in the exercise of the duties imposed upon them by the bill. In eleven States it is further to extend over all cases affecting freedmen and refugees discriminated against by local law, custom or prejudice. In those eleven States the bill subjects any white person who may be chargkd with depriving a freedman of any civil rights or immunities belonging to white persons to imprisonment or fine, or both, without, however, defining the civil rights and immunities which are thus to be secured to the freedmen, by military law. This military jurisdiction also extends to all questions that may arise respecting contracts. The agent, who is thus to exercise the office of a military judge, may be a stranger, entirely ignorant of the laws of the place, and exposed to the errors of judgment to which all men are liable. The exercise of power, over which there is no legal supervision, by so vast a number of agents as is contemplated by the bill, must, by the very nature of man, be attended by acts of caprice, injustice and passion. The trials, having their origin under this bill, are to take place without the intervention of a jury, and without any fixed rules of law or evidence. The rules on which offences are to be heard and determined, by the numerous agents, are such rules and regulations as the President, through the War Department, shall prescribe. No previous presentment is required, nor any indictment, charging the commission of a crime against the laws; but the trial must proceed on charges and specifications. The punishment will be not what the law declares, but such as a Court-martial may think proper. And from these arbitrary tribunals there lies no appeal—no writ of error to any of the Courts, in which the Constitution of the United States vests exclusively the judicial power of the country; while the territory and the class of actions and offences, that are made subject to this measure, are so extensive that the bill itself, should it become a law, will have no limitation in point of time, but will form a part of the permanent legislation the country. I cannot reconcile a system of military jurisdiction of this kind with the words of the Constitution, which declare that "no person shall be held to answer for a capital or otherwise infamous crime, unless on a presentment or indictment of a grand jury, except in cases arising in the land or naval forces, or in the militia, when in actual service in time of war or public danger;" and that "in all criminal prosecutions, the accused shall enjoy the right to a speedy and public trial by an impartial jury of the State or district wherein the crime shall have been committed."

The safeguards which the wisdom and experience of ages taught our fathers to establish as securities for the protection of the innocent, the punishment of the guilty, and the equal administration of justice, are to be set aside, and for the sake of a more vigorous interposition in behalf of justice, we are to take the rest of the many acts of injustice that would of necessity follow from an almost countless number of agents established in every parish or county in nearly a third of the States of the Union, over whose decision there is to be no supervision or control by the Federal Court. The power that would be thus placed in the hands of the President is such as in time of peace certainly ought never to be intrusted to any one man. If it be asked whether the creation of such a tribunal within a State is warranted as a measure of war, the question immediately presents itself whether we are still engaged in war. Let us not unnecessarily disturb the commerce, and credit, and industry of the country, by declaring to the American people and the world that the United States are still in a condition of civil war. At present there is no part of our country in which the authority of the United States is disputed. Offences that may be committed by individuals should not work a forfeiture of the rights of the same communities. The country has entered, or is returning to a state of peace and industry, and the rebellion is in fact at an end. The measure, therefore, seems to be as inconsistent with the actual condition of the country as it is at variance with the Constitution of the United States.

If, passing from general considerations, we examine the bill in detail, it is open to weighty objections. In time of war it was eminently proper that we should provide for those who were passing suddenly from a condition of bondage to a state of freedom. But this bill proposes to make the Freedmen's Bureau, established by the act of 1865, as one of many great and extraordinary military measures to suppress a formidable rebellion, a permanent branch of the public administration, with its powers greatly enlarged. I have no reason to suppose, and I do not understand it to be alleged, that the act of March, 1865, has proved deficient for the purpose for which it was passed; although at that time, and for a considerable period thereafter, the Government of the United States remained unacknowledged in most of the States, whose inhabitants had been involved in the rebellion. The institution of Slavery, for the military destruction of which the Freedmen's Bureau was called into existence as an auxillary force, has been already effectually and and finally abrogated throughout the whole country by an amendment of the Constitution of the United States, and practically its eradication has received the assent and concurrence of most of those States in which it at any time had existed. I am not, therefore, able to discern in the country anything to justify an apprehension that the powers and agencies of the Freedmen's Bureau, which were effective for the protection of freedmen and refugees during the actual continuation of hostilities and of African servitude, will now, in a time of peace, and after the abolition of Slavery, prove inadequate to the same proper ends. If I am correct in these views, there can be no necessity for the enlargement of the powers of the Bureau, for which provision is made in the bill. The third section of the bill authorizes a general and unlimited grant of support to the destitute and suffering refugees and freedmen and their wives and children. Succeeding sections make provision for the rent or purchase of landed estates for freedmen, and for the erection, for their benefit, of suitable buildings for asylums and schools, the expenses to be defrayed from the treasury of the whole people. The Congress of the United States has never heretofore thought itself competent to establish any laws beyond the limits of the District of Columbia, except for the benefit of our disabled soldiers and sailors. It has never founded schools for any class of our own people, not even for the orphans of those who have fallen in the defence of the Union, but has left the care of their education to the much more competent and efficient control of the States, of communities, of private associations and of individuals. It has never deemed itself authorized to expend the public money for the rent or purchase of homes for the thousands, not to say millions, of the white race who are honestly toiling from day to day for their subsistence. A system for the support of indigent persons in the United States was never contemplated by the authors of the Constitution. Nor can any good reason be advanced why, as a permanent establishment, it should be founded for one class or color of our people more than for another. Pending the war many refugees and freedmen received support from the Government, but it was never intended that they should henceforth be fed, clothed, educated and sheltered by the United States. The idea on which the slaves were assisted to freedom, was that on becoming free they would be a self-sustaining population. Any legislation that shall imply that they are not expected to attain a self-sustaining condition, must have a tendency injurious alike to their character and their prosperity. The appointment of an agent for every county and parish will create an immense patronage, and the expense of the numerous officers and the clerks to be appointed by the President will be great in the beginning, with a tendency steadily to increase. The appropriations asked by the Freedmen's Bureau as now established for the year 1866, amount to $11,745,000. It may be safely estimated the cost to be incurred under the pending bill will require double that amount, more than the entire sum expended in any one year under the administration of the second ADAMS. If the presence of agents in every parish and county is to be considered as a war measure, opposition or even resistance might be provoked, so that to give effect to their jurisdiction troops would have to be stationed within reach of every one of them, and thus a large standing force be rendered necessary. Large appropriations would, therefore, be required to sustain and enforce military jurisdiction in every county or parish from the Potomac to the Rio Grande. The condition of our fiscal affairs is encouraging, but in order to sustain the present measure of public confidence, it is necessary that we practice not merely customary economy, but as far as possible severe retrenchment. In addition to the objections already stated, the fifth section of the bill proposes to take away land from its former owners without any legal proceedings being first had, contrary to that provision of the Constitution which declares that no person shall be deprived of life, liberty or property without due process of law. It does not appear that a part of the lands to which this section refers may not be owned by minors or persons of unsound mind, or by those who have been faithful to all their obligations as citizens of the United States. If any portion of the land is held by such persons, it is not competent for any authority to deprive them of it. If, on the other hand, it be found that the property is liable to confiscation, even then it cannot be appropriated to public purposes, until, by due process of law, it shall have been declared forfeited to the Government.

There are still further objections to the bill, on grounds seriously affecting the class of persons to whom it is designed to bring relief. It will tend to keep the mind of the freedman in a state of uncertain expectation and restlessness; while to those among whom he lives it will be a source of constand and vague apprehension. Undoubtedly the freedman should be protected, but he should be protected by the civil authorities especially by the exercise of all the constitutional powers of the courts of the United States and of the States. His condition is not so much exposed as may at first be imagined. He is in a portion of the country where his labor can not well be spared. Competition for his services from planters, from those who are constructing or repairing railroads, or from capitalists in his vicinage, or from other States, will enable him to command almost his own terms. He also possesses a perfect right to change his place of abode, and if, therefore, he does not find, in one community or State, a mode of life suited to his desires, or proper remuneration for his labor, he can move to another, where labor is more esteemed and better rewarded. In truth, however, each State, induced by its own wants and interests, will do what is necessary and proper to retain within its borders all the labor that is needed for the development of its resources. The laws that regulate supply and demand will maintain their force, and the wages of the laborer will be regulated thereby. There is no danger that the great demand for labor will not operate in favor of the laborer. Neither is sufficient consideration given to the ability of the freedmen to protect and take care of themselves. It is no more than justice to them to believe that, as they have received their freedom with moderation and forbearance, so they will distinguish themselves by their industry and thrift, and soon show the world that in a condition of freedom they are self-sustaining and capable of selecting their own employment and their own places of abode; of insisting for themselves on a proper remuneratıon, and of establishing and maintaining their own asylumns and schools. It is earnestly hoped that instead of wasting away they will, by their own efforts, establish for themselves a condition of respectability and prosperity. It is certain that they can attain to that condition only through their own merits and exertions. In this connection the query presents itself whether the system proposed by the bill will not, when put into complete operation, practically transfer the entire care, support and control of four millions of emancipated slaves to agents, overseers or taskmasters, who, appointed at Washington, are to be located in every county and parish throughnut the United States containing freedmen and refugees. Such a system would inevitably tend to such a concentration of power in the Executive which would enable him, if so disposed, to control the action of a numerous class and use them for the attainment of his own political ends.

I cannot but add another very grave objection to this bill. The Constitution imperatively declares in connection with taxation that each State shall have at least one Representative, and fixes the rule for the number to which in future times each State shall be entitled. It also provides that the Senate of the United States shall be composed of two Senators from each State; and adds with peculiar force that no State without its consent shall be deprived of its equal suffrage in the Senate. The original act was necessarily passed in the absence of the States chiefly to be affected, because their people were then contumaciously engaged in the rebellion. Now the case is changed, and some at least of the States are attending Congress by loyal representatives, soliciting the allowance of the constitutional right of representation. At the time, however, of the consideration and the passage of the bill there was no Senator or Representative in Congress from the eleven States which are to be mainly affected by the provisions. The very fact that reports were and are made against the good disposition of the country is an additional reason why they need and should have representatives of their own in Congress to explain their condition, reply to accusations and assist by their local knowledge in the perfecting of measures immediately affecting themselves, while the liberty of deliberation would then be free, and Congress would have full power to decide according to its judgment. There could be no objection urged that the States most interested had not been permitted to be heard. The principle is firmly fixed in the minds of the American people that there should be no taxation without representation. Great burdens are now to be borne by all the country, and we may best demand that they shall be borne without murmur when they are voted by a majority of the representatives of all the people. I would not interfere with the unquestionable right of Congress to judge, each House for itself, of the elections, returns and qualifications of its own members. But that authority cannot be construed as including the right to shut out in time of peace any State from the representation to which it is entitled by the Constitution. At present all the people of eleven States are excluded. Those who were most faithful during the war not less than others. The State of Tennessee, for instance, whose authorities engaged in rebellion, was restored to all her constitutional relations to the Union by the patriotism and energy of her injured and betrayed people. Before the war was bought to a termination they had placed themselves in relation with the General Government, had established a State Government of their own, and, as they were not included in the Emancipation Proclamation, they, by their own act, had amended their Constitution so as to abolish slavery within the limits of their State. I know no reason why the State of Tennessee, for example, should not fully enjoy all her Constitutional relations to the United States.

The President of the United States stands toward the country in a somewhot different attitude from that of any member of Congress, chosen from a single district or State. The President is chosen by the people of all the States. Eleven States are not, at this time, represented in either branch of Congress. It would seem to be his duty on all proper occasions to present their just claims to Congress. There always will be differences of opinion in the community, and individuals may be guilty of transgressions of the law. But these do not constitute valid objections against the right of a State to representation. It would in no wise interfere with the discretion of Congress with regard to the qualification of members; but I hold it my duty to recommend to you in the interests of peace, and in the interests of the Union, the admission of every State to its share of public legislation, when, however, inubordinate, insurgent or rebellious its people may have been, it presents itself not only in an attitude of loyalty and harmony, but in the persons of representatives whose loyalty cannot be questioned under existing constitutional or legal test. It is plain that an indefinite or permanent exclusion of any part of the country from representation must be attended by a spirit of disquiet and complaint. It is unwise and dangerous to pursue a course of measures which will unite any large section of the country against another section of the country, no matter how much the latter may predominate. The course of immigration, the development of industry and business and natural causes will raise up at the South men as devoted to the Union as those of any other part of the land. But if they are all excluded from Congress; if in a permanent statute they are declared not to be in full constitutional relations to the country, they may think they have cause to become a unite in feeling and sentiments against the Government. Under the political education of the American people, the idea is inherent and ineradicable that the consent of the majority of the whole people is necessary to secure a willing acquiescence in legislation. The bill under consideration refers to certain of the States as though they had not "been fully restored in all their constitutional relations to the United States." If they have not let us at once act together to secure that desirable end at the earliest possible moment. It is hardly necessary for me to inform Congress that, in my own judgment, most of those States, so far at least as depends upon their own action, have already been fully restored, and are to be deemed to be entitled to enjoy their constitutional rights as members of the Union. Reasoning from the Constitution itself, and from the actual situation of the country, I feels not only entitled but bound to assume that, with the Federal Courts restored in the several States and in the full exercise of their functions, the rights and interests of all classes of the people will, with the aid of the military, in cases of assistance to the law, be essentially protected against unconstitutional infringement and violation. Should this expectation unhappily fail, which I do not anticipate, then the Executive is already armed with the powers conferred by the act of March, 1865, establishing the Freedmen's Bureau; and hereafter, as heretofore, he can employ the land and naval forces of the country to suppress insurrection and to overcome obstructions to the laws.

I return the bill to the Senate in the earnest ho e that a measure involving questions and interests so important to the country will not become a law unless upon deliberate consideration by the people it shall receive the sanction of an enlightened public judgment.

ANDREW JOHNSON.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 19, 1866.

WASHINGTON NEWS.

Special Dispatches to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, Monday, Feb. 19.

THE VETO.

The sensation of to-day was most decidedly the reception of the President's Veto Message in the Senate.

It had been quite well understood that the message would be forthcoming, but its contents, except in a very general way, were not known. It was received in the Senate about 1:30 o'clock. Mr. YATES, of Illinois, having the floor on the Constitutional Amendment, he concluded his speech by 3:30 o'clock, and, in the meantime, it had become very generally known that the message was on hand, and would be read as soon as Mr. YATES concluded. As a consequence the galleries soon filled up, and a large number of the members of the House congregated in the Senate Chamber. The message occupied about half an hour in its reading, and was listened to with the most profound attention, and at its close sensation and mingled applause and hisses proceeded from the gentlemen's gallery, and this having been against the especial warning of the presiding officer, the Sergeant-at-Arms was directed to clear the gallery, which he did. The Senate then proceeded to consider the bill, when Mr. LANE, of Kansas, moved that the Message be printed, and the further consideration of question postponed till to-morrow at 10 o'clock. This was voted down. Yeas, 17; nays, 29. Mr. LANE then moved to adjourn; which was lost. Mr. LANE then said that inasmuch as several Senators were absent, and others had only heard part of the Message, he should exhaust every privilege of the rules of the Senate to defer action until to-morrow. Another motion to postpone was lost. Mr. SHERMAN then said that he thought it due to those who were absent that the matter should go over till to-morrow, when it should come up the first thing as unfinished business. A motion to adjourn was then carried.

As the Senate stood this afternoon, one vote was lacking to carry it over the veto. To-night seventeen votes are confidently counted against the bill, which will defeat it, but its friends are equally confident that they will have two-thirds and one or two to spare.

The message is generally conceded to be an able document, especially in its objections to the character of the bill. Its pointed allusions to the question of representation have produced a decided sensation and were entirely unexpected.

The Reconstruction Committee are still laboring over the question of the admission of the Tennessee delegation. They had another meeting to-day, when a joint resolution was considered which in substance is as follows: Recognizing the State of Tennessee and the government it has established as republican in form; that the people of the State have adopted by a popular vote an amended constitution declaring secession null and void, abolishing Slaveay, and prohibiting the payment of the rebel debt; and recognizing the further fact that this Constitution has been presented to Congress, with a prayer for the restoration of the constitutional relation of said State. Another meeting will be held to-morrow morning on this subject. Strong hopes were indulged to-day that this resolution would be reported to the House; but since the reception of the veto Message, and the excitement growing out of the President's aliusions to the question of representation, it is impossible to say what the Committee will do.

STATUS OF THE REBEL STATES.

Mr. BROOMALL, of Pennsylvania, got before the House to-day four resolutions on the condition of the rebel States, which implied more than they expressed. The first quoted the President's declaration in May, 1865, that the rebellion had destroyed civil Government in those States, leaving it to he clearly inferred that what was true then is true now, and that those States are still without civil Governments; and the second asserts the duty of Congress to supply those Governments. This ignores utterly the action of the President in restoring those State Governments. The House voted for the resolutions apparently under the fear that, as they had been presented, there was no salvation except in voting for them. The last two endorsed the President's course in suspending the *habeas corpus*, and protecting the loyal men of the South by military power. They received the whole Union vote.

CABINET MEETING.

There was a meeting of the Cabinet this morning, and during its session the President's Message to Congress was read, but no discussion or controversy took place on the subject.

FENIANS AFTER THE PRESIDENT.

The deputation appointed at the Fenian mass meeting Saturday night, consisting of Mayor WALLACH, B. DORAN KILLIAN, GEO. FRANCIS TRAIN, Congressmen ROGERS and HOGAN, and several others, had an interview with the President this evening, who appointed Wednesday for a special interview, so that the papers regarding the recent alleged outrage on American citizens in Ireland can be perused and a reply prepared.

LEGAL AFFAIRS.

In the case of the United States against the District Judge of the Northern District of California, on a motion for prohibition in the matter of REDDIEN, special administration against the steamship *Pacific*, the Supreme Court of the United States to-day granted a rule to show cause why the prohibition should not issue, and an order to stay further proceedings until further direction in the premises.

The rule is returnable next December. Only two cases of prohibition have issued since the organization of the Court. The question involved is whether a contract with a pilot made at sea constitutes a maritime contract, or gives the District Court maritime jurisdiction?

It has been ordered by the court that case No. 6, *ex-parte* in the matter of A. H. GARLAND, of Arkansas, petitioner, be re-argued on Friday, the 2d of March. The petitioner, it will be recollected, heretofore applied to be readmitted to practice without being required to take the test oath.

EULOGIUM.

Arrangements have been made for the memorial address on the Life and Character of HENRY WINTER DAVIS, to be delivered by Senator CRESSWELL on the 22d inst. The galleries of the House usually appropriated to ladies are to be reserved for those provided with tickets. Only one ticket is to be given to each Senator and Representative. The gentlemen's gallery is to be opened to the public without tickets. The President, the Supreme Court, and other dignitaries have been invited. Hon. EDWARD MCPHERSON, Clerk of the House of Representatives, will preface the delivery of the address by reading the Declaration of Independence.

BANKRUPT ACT.

The Bankrupt Bill has been postponed in the House, in order that the Loan Bill may be considered to-morrow as the special order.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES.

Monday, Feb. 19.—No. 109—Propeller *Ottawa vs.* STEWART; affirmed with cost, per Justice CLIFFORD. No. 6—Original docket, *ex parte*, Garland Test Oath Case as to Lawyers; ordered for reargument Friday next, March 2. No. 118—Washington and Baltimore Turnpike Company *vs.* State of Maryland; argument closed by Mr. DOBBINS. No. 119.—United States *vs.* HOLLIDAY; argued by ASHTON for United States, and submitted on printed argument by ROMEYER for the Department. No. 121.—FAY, claimant of bark *Sally Magee*, appellant, *vs.* United States; argument commenced by Mr. LORD for appellant. Adjourned until to-morrow at 11 o'clock.

ILLEGAL ARRESTS.

Mr. S. W. MOULTON, of Illinois, introduced in the House to-day a bill to prohibit persons from illegal arrests, and prosecution for acts done under authority of the Gavernment or the military authority. The bill was referred to the Judiciary Committee. It provides that in any civil or criminal prosecution now pending or hereafter to be commenced against any person claiming to have acted under the authority of the War Department, or by virtue of any rules or regulations thereof, or under cover of any law of the United States for any search, seizure, assault, arrest, imprisonment, capture or detention, made, done, or committed during the war, it shall be deemed sufficient answer and defence if the defendant shall prove that such search, etc., was made in pursuance of such rules and regulations, or in obedience to the written or verbal command of his superior officer, or in performance of his official duty, or by authority of any law of Congress. Any person against whom such action shall be brought shall be entitled to the benefit of the eighty-first chapter of the act of March 3, 1863.

Mr COOK also reported a bill to amend the last named act relating to proceedings in *habeas corpus*. Its object is similar to Mr. MOULTON'S bill, and provides, among other things, that a copy of the order or telegram under which the officer made the search, seizure, &c., shall be *prima facie* proof and defence to the action.

PENSION AGENT.

Dr. GEORGE S. GALE, of No. 51 Eighth-avenue, has been appointed United States Pension Surgeon for the City of New-York. Dr. GALE served nearly four years as full surgeon in the army, and was regarded as one of the most accomplished officers of the medical staff.

GRANT GOING TO NEW-YORK.

Lieut.-Gen. GRANT, with most of his staff, accompanied by Gen. BUTTERFIELD, will leave for New-York to-morrow night in a special car. On Wednesday night he will be entertained by the Union Club of New-York, and on Thursday night he will have a reception by the Union League Club, when an equestrian portrait of Gen. SCOTT, by PAGE, will be presented to him. The General will return hither the latter part of the week.

CONTESTED SEAT.

The Pennsylvania Sixteenth Congressional District case was decided to-day, so far as the *prima facie* right to the seat was concerned, after a spirited debate, by a vote of 52 for COFFROTH and 53 for KOONTZ. An investigation into the facts will now be made.

BANKING MATTERS.

The majority of the Committee on Banks and Currency have agreed to report in favor of an amendment to the Bank Act, which shall provide that interest-bearing legal tender notes shall not be included as a part of the lawful money which the banks are required to hold as a reserve for their liabilities. The majority will also report against an amendment by which the profit on lost circulation shall accrue to the banks instead of to the Government as is now the case.

BORING THE PRESIDENT.

The afternoon papers contained a paragraph announcing that the friends of the President would meet at Willard's Hotel at 7 o'clock this evening, and thence proceed to the Executive mansion, for the purpose of serenading the President. In the meantime a few of the movers in the matter called upon Mr. JOHNSON and apprised him of their intention.

The President informed them that he preferred to be let alone, and advised his friends to stay away to-night. Before this request became known a large crowd had assembled, both at Willard's and in front of the Executive Mansion. At the former place a band of music was playing, and the audience became clamorous for speeches. Calls for Judge HUGHES, Hon. GREEN CLAY SMITH and others were made, and these gentlemen responded in a few words each. Mr. SMITH said:

FELLOW-CITIZENS: I am here by accident. I knew nothing of the meeting until a few minutes ago. None of you are more surprised to see me than I am to see you and to be here. When this war began, I, together with President JOHNSON, went in for the suppression of the rebellion, and did all I could for its overthrow. I had the honor of voting for Mr. JOHNSON, believing in his patriotism and statesmanship. I have confidence in him now. I have confidence in Congress; and believe both will do right. I differed in the Thirty-sixth Congress, and have in this, from the gentleman who has just addressed you, and many others who held seats in both Congresses. I advise you, fellow-citizens, to peace and quiet; have confidence in, and respect your law-makers and President lay aside all ill-feelings and come together as one man for the preservation of the Union, that we may be able to enjoy an united Government, and transmit to our posterity for all time to come a great Union republican in form.

The crowd, headed by the band of music, proceeded to the White House, joined the company there in waiting, and then marched in a body to Mr. SEWARD'S residencee. After a patriotic air by the band, Mr. SEWARD appeared and said:

"I thank you, gentlemen, for this kind entertainment. I shall ever remember it with great satisfaction. I congratulate you upon the return of peace and prosperity to the country. With these words I bid you good night."

The band again struck up and the crowd dispersed. The streets to-night are alive with hilarious and excited sqads of citizens, discussing the President's veto.

CABINET RUMORS.

All sorts of rumors are afloat as to the effect of the veto upon the Cabinet. Among the foolish statements is one that four members of the Cabinet have resigned. I need scarcly tell you that there is not the slightest foundation for this rumor.

TREASURY AFFAIRS.

A table has been officially prepared exhibiting the amount of moneys deposited to the credit of the Treasurer of the United States from all sources in the States of Tennessee, Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Alabama, Florida, Louisiana, Texas, Mississippi and Arkansas. The total amount is nearly $28,000,000 from April 1, 1865, to Feb. 1, 1866, divided as follows:

Custom House fees, principally at New-Orleans	$2,878,000
Captured and abandoned property	13,131,000
Direct taxes	658,000
Confiscations	120,000
Tax on cotton	133,000
Commercial intercourse	22,400
General bank duty	20,000
Internal revenue	11,000,000

PACIFIC RAILROAD.

S. GOODALL, one of the Commissioners of the Pacific Railroad, is now in Washington, direct from Texas, and has delivered to the Senate numerously signed petitions from various parties of the South; one from the City Council of Vicksburgh, praying for a Southern connection with the Union Pacific Railroad. Some of them define clearly the vast importance of the South and North of such connection. And it is believed that Congress will provide for a railroad by way of Leavenworth, Lawrence and Gibson, through the Indian Territory.

THIRTY-NINTH CONGRESS.

FIRST SESSION.

SENATE....Monday, Feb. 19.

CREDENTIALS.

Mr. WADE presented the credentials of Mr. SHERMAN, Senator elect from Ohio.

MEMORIALS AND PETITIONS.

Mr. SUMNER presented a memorial from the officers of a Convention of colored men of Florida, praying for a remedy for the refusal of landholders to lease lands to them, and for a grant of homesteads and civil rights, including the right of suffrage.

Mr. LANE presented several petitions for railroads connecting Kansas with Texas.

Mr. MORGAN presented a memorial praying for the enactment of an international copyright law.

Mr. COWAN presented a memorial for the reduction of the revenue duty on petroleum, and for a change in the mode of levying it.

Mr. SHERMAN presented a petition for a reduction of the tax on agricultural implements.

Mr. TRUMBULL presented a similar petition from the manufacturers of agricultural implements in Illinois.

Mr. STOCKTON presented a petition from New-Jersey, praying for an increase of the proportion of cavalry in the Senate Army Bill, to-one third of the entire force.

JEFFERSON AND BERKLEY COUNTIES.

Mr. CLARKE reported back the bill to annex the counties of Jefferson and Berkley, of Virginia, with an amendment which simply consents to and authorizes such annexation.

NEVADA.

Mr. NYE reported a bill concerning the boundaries of the State of Nevada, which provides for an enlargement of the present area of the State.

NATIONAL BANKS.

Mr. STEWART introduced a bill concerning National Banks in certain States.

It provides that in addition to the three hundred millions of banking capital now authorized, twenty-one millions more shall be distributed, as follows: To California, ten millions; to Nevada, four millions; to Oregon, three millions; to Idaho, two millions, and to Washington and Oregon, one million each.

RIGHT OF WAY THROUGH THE PUBLIC DOMAIN.

Mr. CONNESS introduced a bill to grant the right of was through the public domain for the construction of highways and canals and ditches for mining, agricultural and manufacturing purposes. Referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

OUTRAGES BY THE MILITARY IN REBEL STATES.

Mr. WILSON introduced a joint resolution to disband the military forces of the late rebellious States, and to forbid their reorganization. In introduing the resolution Mr. WILSON read, in evidence of its necessity, letters from Gens. THOMAS, SWAIN, HARTSUFF and others, in charge of the freedmen in Alabama, Georgia, Mississippi and Florida. Gen. THOMAS refers to the abusive conduct of these militia organizations in Mississippi, and the difficulties under which he labored in consequence, and says that GOV. HUMPHREY'S acknowledged to him that in some counties the militia threatened to kill all the negroes who should refuse to work for their old masters and to expel al. Northern men. He says that the withdrawal of troops would be followed by terrible outrages. Other officers make similar complaints and say that wherever United States troops have been withdrawn the school-houses of the Freedmen have been burnt. They are made to submit to fraudulent contracts and their persons are exposed to lawless outrage. In Louisiana an increasing bitterness of feeling is reported as shown in public and in social gatherings. A letter from Western Louisiana, from a friend, a former member of the Massachusetts Legislature, says that not a day passes without the commission of murders and robberies of freedmen. Of these cases the writer saw three in one day—one with his throat cut, one with his brains beaten out, and a third otherise mutilated. Another had his eyes blown out with gunpowder because he would not renew a contract after his master had refused to fulfill the old one. Nobody spoke of love to the Union; but hate of the freedmen and of the Yankees was everywhere uttered. The negroes were exposed to extermination. The most ignorant, corrupt and unprincipled of men, worse than when secession commenced, hold sway. With the troops withdrawn the lives of freedmen would not be safe. Gen. CHARLES HOWARD, brother of the Chief of the Bureau, also reports the abuses of the militia in Georgia, Alabama and Mississippi, and says that there should be troops sufficient for the protection of the freedmen of those States.

Mr. SAULSBURY said he should vote against referring this resolution. Unless Congress should disarm the militia of Massachusetts, it had no power to disarm that of Mississippi. He would ask the Senator from Massachusetts if Congress possessed that power with regard to his own State.

Mr. WILSON did not express an opinion, but said that JEFFERSON DAVIS had long ago claimed such power for the General Government. As to these men, they had once been disarmed as rebels and were now armed again; but were as much rebels now as then.

Mr. SAULSBURY—Has Congress power to disarm the militia of a State?

Mr. WILSON—Congress has power to disarm ruffians and traitors.

The joint resolution is as follows:

"That all militia forces now organized or in the service in either of the States of Virginia, North Carol na, Georgia, Florida, Alabama, Louisiana, Mississippi and Texas, be forthwith disarmed, and disbanded; and that the further organization, arming or calling into service of said militia, or any part thereof, is hereby prohibited under any circumstances whatever until the same shall be authorized by Congress."

NEGRO SUFFRAGE.

Mr. HOWARD submitted the following amendment to the pending House resolution:

"And the right of voting for electors of President and and Vice-President of the United States, for members of the House of Representatives, and for members of the most numerous branch of the State Legislature, is hereby granted to the following classes of persons, of African descent, citizens of the United States, viz.: All males of the age of twenty-one years who have, during the late troubles, been duly enrolled in the army or navy of the United States; all males of the like age able to read and write the English, French, or Spanish language; all males of like age in possession and enjoyment of property, real or personal, of the value of $250; all such persons to have been domiciled in their proper election districts for at least six months next before an election at which they claim the right to vote; but no such person to be allowed to vote who is of unsound mind, a pauper, or under conviction of infamous crime, and Congress shall, in default of State legislation, have full power to carry into effect this provision by legislation applicable to all the States."

THE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT.

Mr. YATES, having the floor upon the pending House resolution fixing the basis of representation, said that the duty of Congress in the present crisis was one of great responsibility; that its action must be timely; that mistakes would be fatal, and that delay would breed danger. Then let not freedom die in the house of its friends and by their hands. Let us also legislate the whole Union. Let us do the right thing in the right place and at the right time. Congress has power to fix the basis of a harmonious adjustment of our difficulties. We cannot wait for amendments to the Constitution, and it is doubtful if such amendments would be adopted. It would be his aim to prove that Congress has power, under the Constitution, to fix the conditions on which the late rebellious States might be restored to the Union, and to show that if the dominant party should fail to perform its plain constitutional duty in the matter, power would pass into the hands of a party whose sympathies and acts have been against the war, who opposed the Proclamation of Emancipation, the arming of the negroes, and the amendment abolishing Slavery, who are upon the record in hostility to the protection of the freedmen; and who would pardon JEFF. DAVIS and open the doors of Congress to men who had imbued their hands in the blood of our loyal countrymen. The work of reconstruction is a difficult one. It encounters deep-seated prejudice and divergent opinions. It is more difficult even than the work of the fathers. The end they had in view was simple. It was freedom to all men. There was to be no class legislation. They found an institution in the States which was in conflict with this principle; this embarrassed their action and compelled them to make a compromise with it which marred the beauty and symetry of their work. They hoped this institution would be temporary. Unfortunately it was not so, and has proved the fatal rock on which the ship of State was nearly rent asunder. This institution was in conflict with their great system; it embarrassed them; and to secure the adoption of the Constitution it was agreed that the Slave States should have a representation of three-fifths of their slaves, and also a provision for the rendition of their fugitives. But in time Slavery grew from a mere germ to a great Upas tree, which poisoned the legislation of the country and all the fountains of its prosperity. It became, in fact, almost the government. When ABRAHAM LINCOLN uttered the sentiment, "the country cannot exist half slave and half free," he was only prophetically uttering for the whole people that which they believed in their hearts. So the Free States determined to resist, and the Slave States to enforce, the principles and policies of the institution upon the whole people. And what was the war, which resulted from the armed contest of the two sections, about? State-rights. And I see this question already resuscitated, and showing itself in political manifestations in high quarters, interpolated without proper connection in funeral orations, and heard in threats of disunion and revolution if State rights are trampled upon. God forbid that we should have another attempt at disunion! But he would say that Illinois had sent two hundred and fifty thousand men to put down this rebellion, and would furnish half a million to suppress the next. If the war had established any fact, it was that we had a Constitution and Government—not a consolidated Govarnment, but one which leaves the States free to to act as respects all the functions of local legislation, why throw this question of the status of the freedmeninto the States? If universal freedom and equality are imposed by an outside power, whose right to control grows out of the Constitution, all will submit. But if thirty-six States shall decide the fundamental question of citizenship, inequalities of rights, wrangling and bitter, if not fatal legislation, may be expected.

Mr. YATES took the ground that the States were not out of the Union. They may be out of it in fact, but they are in it in law. They had not been treated as States in full fellowship, neither as Territories. The case was anomolous and the policy pursued a necessity. It is left to reorganize the States on a basis which will guarantee security for the future, if not indemnity for the past. Both of the Wisconsin Senators argue that the power to declare conditions of the return belongs to Congress. This shows the question whether these States are in or out of the Union is an abstraction. The only question is one of fact, whether the States are in a condition for restoration. He could not agree with the Senator from Wisconsin (Mr. DOOLITTLE) that they are. Mr. YATES then referred to the opinion of statesmen and generals that these States are in no condition for immediate admission. He appealed to the Senate by the tears of the orphan and the blood of the slain that it would plant the Government upon the foundations of eternal justice, and the undying principle of human liberty. The only basis of restoration was found in a return to the principles of the Declaration of Independence—exact justice to all men, special privileges to none. He considered all the constitutional amendments impracticable, only postponing the period of restoration too remote for the future security and peace of the country. If we wait till the South loves the Yankee and the Government, whose strong arm whipped them into obedience, the time will be far in the future. He would not expect to do that, but would settle all differences upon a principle which would remove all cause of quarrel. Congress had full power to pass the bill, which he (Mr. YATES) presented a few days ago, prohibiting the enforcement of any law recognizing in State or Territory any distinction on account of race or color, or previous condition of color. Under the Constitution, heretofore Slavery belonged to the States and not to Congress. But we now have a new constitution, which annuls the Constitution, laws and regulations of any State relative to Slavery. Now it is made the express duty of Congress to enforce its abolition in all of them. And how? By appropriate legislation, that will make freedmen free indeed. It was not pretended that Congress ever meant to set four millions of men free without the civil and political rights which attach to a free citizen. The bill of his colleague (Mr. TRUMBULL) provided for the security of the person and property of freedmen. He contended that they could be protected in their liberty and rights under the amendment.

Mr. YATES cited Blackstone and the Fathers to show that civil and political rights are synonymous, and argued that the Dred Scott decision was founded on the fact that the negro was made by slavery a subject race, and that a decision in such a case now would be decided in favor of

MONETARY AFFAIRS.

Sales at the Stock Exchange—FEB. 19, 1866.

$3,000	U. S. 6s, '81 C....	104½	300	Erie Railroad....	62¾
30,000	U.S. 6s,5-2 s C.1864	103¼	100	do.....s10	62¾
1,000	Tr. Notes, 7 3-10s.		1200	do.....c	62¾
	First Ser. Small	99⅝	700	do.....s10	62½
18,500	do.	99⅝	700	do.....s10	62½
1,000	do. 2d S. Small	99⅝	100	do.....s10	62¾
130,000	do.....s10	99⅝	100	do. 2d call..s60	62¾
8,000	do.	99⅝	100	do.....s10	62¾
1,000	U. S. 6s, 1 yr. C.		500	do.....s10	62¾
	New Issues	98⅞	300	Hud. Riv. R.....	104½
2,000	N.Y.St.7s, Bounty Loan.	98¾	75	Mar. & Cin. 2d Pr.	97
5,000	Missouri 6s.....s30	78	70	M. & Pr.D.O.1st Pr.	97
8,000	do.....2d call.	99¼	200	Reading R.....b10	101⅞
4,000	Mo. 6s, issued to Pacific R.....	79	1800	do.....s10	101⅞
			200	do. 2d call	101⅞
3,000	Virginia 6s.....	64⅜	600	do.	101⅞
20,000	Tenn. 6s, '90.....	72	50	Mich. Cen. R.....	105
17,000	do.....2d call	92¾	50	do.....s10	105¼
5,000	N. Car. 6s.....	51½	1300	M. S. & N. I.....	71¾
20,000	O. & M. Cer.....	93	300	do.	71¾
20,000	do. 2d call..b60	28½	100	do.....s30	71¾
30,000	do.....b60	28½	100	do. 2d call	71¼
7,000	Hu...R.....S.F.Ss 10		3000	Cleve. & Pitts.....	81½
5,000	Mich. So.S.F.Ss.	95	400	do.	81¾
1,000	Chic. & R. I. Rs.	98¼	300	do.	81¾
3,000	Pt Peninsula 1st M.	75	400	do.	81
10	Bk. Commerce.....	103	200	do. 2d call	80¾
26	Bk. of Commerce....	106	400	Chic. & N. W.....	28
800	Canton Co.....	44⅜	150	do.	28¾
300	do. 2d call	44¼	100	do.	28
20	Western U. Tel.....	51½	50	do.....b30	28
50	do.	52	50	do. 2d call	28¾
100	Quick. Min. Co.....s30	53	300	do.	28¾
160	do.	42	1000	Chi. & N.W. Pr.s10	56½
300	At. Mail S. Co.....	129	150	do.	56½
100	Butler Coal.....b10	103	100	do.....b30	56½
100	Cum. Coal Pr.....s10	18¾	700	Clev. & Tol.....	94
50	Del. & Hud. Canal.	134½	400	do. 2d call	94
100	N. Y. Cen.....	93¾	100	Chi. & R. I.....s60	105
200	do.	93¾	100	do.	105
300	do.....b30	93	100	P., Ft. W. & C.	94
850	do.	93	200	do.	94¾
100	do.....2d call	92½	300	do.	94¾
100	do.....s30	92½	100	do.....s30	94¾
100	do. 2d call	92¼	200	do.....2d call	94¾
10	Pac. Mail S. S. Co.	205	100	do.....s10	94¾

1 O'CLOCK BOARD.

$10,000	N. Car. 6s.....	51½	500	M. S. & N. I. R....	70¾
100	West. Union Tel...	87	9.0	do.....s10	70¾
100	Quick. Min. Co...	41¾	100	do.	70¾
100	Mariposa Min.....	12	200	do.....s5	70¾
100	At. Mail S. Co.....	129	1000	Cleve. & Pitts.....	81¾
200	N. Y. Central.....	94¼	200	do.	81¾
100	do.	94⅜	100	Chic. & N.W.....	28¾
300	Erie.....	62¾	100	do.	28¾
400	do.	62¾	100	Chi. & N. W. Pr....	56
100	Hud. R. R.....	104	100	Chi. & R. I.....	105¼
500	Reading R.....	101¾	400	do.	94¼

2½ O'CLOCK BOARD.

7,500	Tr. Notes, 7 3-10s		100	West. Union Tel...	87¾
	Sec. Ser.....	99¾	400	Reading R.....	101¾
1,000	U. S. 6s, 1 yr. Cer.		1000	do.	101¾
	New Issue.....	98⅞	400	do.....s30	101¾
2,000	N. Car. 6s.....	73	1000	do.	101¾
10,000	N. Car. 6s.....	52	100	Mich. Cen. R.....	104¾
400	At. Mail St. Co....	128	800	P., Ft. W. & C.....	94¾
150	Pac. M. S. Scrip....	109	500	do.....s15	94¾
100	do.....b60	102	400	Mich. S. & N. I....	70¾
100	Pacific M. S.Co.b60	201	600	do.	70¾
50	do.	200	800	do.	70¾
1000	New York Cen....	92½	200	do.....s10	70¾
100	do.....s10	92½	500	do.....s30	70
100	do.	92¾	200	Chi. & N.W. Pr....	56
100	do.	92¾	100	do.	56
2500	Erie R.	62¾	100	do.	55¾
300	do.....s10	62¾	200	Chic. & Rk. Is.....	105¾
500	do.	62¾	200	do.	105¾
500	do.....s10	62¾	200	do.	105¾
100	Chic. & N. W.....	28¾	100	Chi. & Alt. Pr.	124
200	do.....s30	28¾			

OPEN BOARD—10 A. M.

200	Erie Railroad.....	62	300	N. Y. Cen. R.....s3	93¼
800	do.....b3	62	300	do.	93¼
100	do.	61¾	003	Mich. S. & N. I....	71¾
100	do.....s3	61¾	100	do.....s3	71¾
200	do.....c	61¾	900	do.	71¾
1200	do.....s3	62	300	do.	71¾
1000	do.	62	300	do.....c	71¾
100	do.....b3	62¼	300	Chic. & N.W.....	28½
500	do.	62½	100	do.	28½
100	do.	62½	100	do.	28¾
200	Reading R.....s3	102½	100	Chi. & N. W. Pr....	56
200	do.	102¾	100	do.	56
500	do.....b10	102¾	100	do.....b10	56¾
600	do.....b3	102¾	300	do.	56¾
300	do.....b3	102¾	300	do.	56¾
300	do.	102¾	100	P. F. W. & C.....	93¾
500	Clev. & P.....	81¾	100	do.	93¾
600	do.	81¾	100	do.	93¾
1000	do.....b3	81¾	200	do.	93¾
1000	do.....b30	81¾	200	do.	93¾

OPEN BOARD—1 P. M.

100	Comb. Coal.....	83	45	200 Cleve. & Pitts.....s3	80¾
500	New-York Cen.....	91⅝	200	do.....s3	80¾
400	do.	91⅞	700	do.	80¾
100	do.....s3	91⅞	200	do.....b3	8 ⅛
100	Erie R.....s3	61¾	200	Chic. & Rk. Is.....s3	105¾
200	do.	80¾	200	do.	105¾
600	do.	80¾	200	do.	1 ⅝
100	do.....s3	80¾	100	do.....s3	105¾
100	do.....s3	80¾	100	do.....s3	105¾
200	Reading R.....s10	101¾	100	Chi. & N. W.....s4	28¾
200	do.	101¾	100	do.	28¾
900	do.	101¾	100	do.....s30	28¾
1400	M. So. & N. I.....s3	70¾	100	do.....s3	28¾
2000	do.....b3	70¾	100	do.	28¾
500	do.	70¾	100	do.....s60	28¾
200	do.....c	70¾	200	P., Ft. & Chi.....	94
100	do.....s3	70¾	100	do.	94
100	do.....b3	70¾	100	do.....b3	94
300	do.....b3	70¾	400	do.	93¾
600	Chic. & N. W. P.b60	56	200	do.....b3	93¾
200	do.	55¾	100	Atlantic S. S. Co...	127½

OPEN BOARD—3½ P. M.

100	Canton Co.....	44¾	1200	Clev. & P.....s3	80¾
200	Schuylkill Coal...s3	19	100	do.	80¾
200	do.	18¾	200	do.	80¾
500	N. Y. Cen.....	92¾	200	do.....b10	80¾
100	do.....s3	92¾	100	Chi. & R. I.....	105¾
500	Erie Railroad.....	61¾	500	do.....s3	105¾
200	do.....s3	61¾	100	Chi. & N.W.....s10	28¾
100	do.....b3	61¾	100	do.	28¾
100	do.	61¾	100	do.	28¾
100	Reading R.....	101¾	100	do.	28¾
1200	M. S. & N. I. R....s3	70¾	100	do.....b10	28¾
100	do.....s3	70¾	100	Chi. & N. W. Pr....	56¾
300	do.....b3	70¾	700	do.	56¾

The weekly averages of the associated Local and National Banks in the Clearing-house of this city, for the week ending Saturday last, Feb. 17, compare as follows with the previous week, and with the corresponding week last year; to which we add the specie and currency balances in the New-York office of the United States Treasury at these dates, respectively:

Increase in Loans.....		$459,380
Increase in Specie.....		178,446
Increase in Deposits.....		1,075,827
Decrease in Legal Tender.....		3,633,033
Increase in Circulation.....		742,805
	Feb. 18, 1866.	Feb. 11, 1866.	Feb. 19, 1865.
Local Capital...	$58,186,172	$8,878,500	$8,678,500
National.....	11,000,000	72,807,700	72,807,700
Total in C. H...	$69,186,172	$81,686,200	$81,686,200
Loans.....	186,365,195	243,068,252	242,608,872
Specie.....	20,682,319	10,308,758	10,129,806
Deposits.....	156,150,634	189,777,290	188,701,463
Legal-Tender...		64,802,980	68,436,013
In Sub-Treas'y..	26,293,276	26,296,973	29,836,879

The National Bank "circulation" reported through the Clearing-house, is as follows:

Merchants'.....	$495,898	Seventh Ward..	$104,495
Mer. Exchange..	347,140	Broadway.....	814,533
Commerce.....	2,607,485	Mercantile.....	296,950
Ocean.....	542,342	Republic.....	549,522
Market.....	426,000	St. Nicholas....	715,543
Park.....	1,000,000	Marine.....	222,000
Fourth.....	2,508,636	East River.....	199,500
Central.....	1,437,287	Second.....	269,602
Mechanics'.....	341,214	Continental....	480,987
New-York.....	698,159	Importers'.....	475,851
M. Association..	757,856	Ninth.....	925,580
Metropolitan....	836,700	First.....	441,428
Commonwealth..	217,927	Exchange.....	309,259
Leather.....	130,000	Gallatin.....	456,971
N. America.....	296,804	Citizens'.....	111,882
Irving.....	189,900	Union.....	424,500
Tradesmen's....	640,220	Chatham.....	132,500
Phenix.....	203,980	Hide & Leather.	693,000
Third.....	798,678	Hanover.....	216,362
Total 38 National Banks.....			$22,188,203
Total 21 other National and Local Banks.....			795,071
Total on Clearing-house report, Feb. 17..			$22,983,274
On previous report, Feb. 10.....			22,240,469
Increase in circulation'....			$742,805

The Bank return shows a steady movement through the last week, except in Legal-Tender Notes, the amount of which is reduced about three and a half millions. The decrease appears to be chiefly in three or four Banks, the Fulton, American Exchange, Mechanics' Association, &c. The Treasury office gained in Gold and Currency during the week $8,461,100.

The two days' later news from England telegraphed this morning, is very decidedly better than generally looked for on the Street, and quite different from the calculations made by some of the parties who bought Gold freely on Saturday night at 137¼ ₱ cent. This disappointment caused a partial delay this forenoon in the certification of the checks of the buyers at Bank, as the aggregate amount of Currency to be provided was about $3,500,000. Upon this a story was put afloat in the Gold Room and on the Stock Exchange that the certifications were refused or delayed at Bank, because the Assistant Treasurer at New-York meant to draw Greenbacks on the checks. This was wholly unfounded. The Treasury Office makes in its own collections, on the sales of Gold or for Internal Revenue, or on transfer drafts made upon the National Banks, or in any other way, not the slightest difference between the Greenbacks, Legal Tender Notes of the United States, or the National Bank Notes, which are equally a Legal Tender *to* the Government; nor does it recognize the slightest difference in its currency disbursements, on which National Bank Notes are equally a Legal Tender *from* the Government with United States Greenbacks. If the Banks, at any time during the sales of Gold last week, paid out the latter, it must have been because they were indifferent to the distinction or else short of National Bank Notes. No demand of the sort, we have authority for saying, was made upon them. The real fact of the transaction of Saturday night and its settlement this morning, appears to be that certain shrewd speculators bought more Gold than the English news showed them to turn to profit, without first borrowing the Money upon it. They were more fortunate in forestalling the market for Exchange on London at 108 ₱ cent., as the rate went up to-day to 108¼@108¾ ₱ cent., and the demand was quite spirited at 108¼ early in the forenoon, but not so brisk at the extreme advance. A large business was done on Paris, at rates corresponding to the London standard. No great harm on this side the Atlantic, and some good might ensue to our severely pressed English friends, were the rates further advanced to the point at which it would pay to ship Gold. There is a superabundance of it in the Treasury, not wanted for Gold Interest until late in the Spring, if then, and if the Foreign Exchanges require part of this large sum total, in addition to the $2,500,000 or $3,000,000 per month from California, we see no sensible reason why it should not go forward.

In the afternoon the leading Bankers refused to draw on London without a further advance of ¼ ₱ cent., and the closing sales were 108¾@108¾. The price of Gold steady at Saturday night's quotation, 137¼@137¾ ₱ cent. The market for Money easy at 5@6 ₱ cent. to the Brokers.

On the Stock Exchange the Government Stocks were steady, both on Gold-bearing and 7.30 ₱ cents. The quotations for the 5-20s of 1862 come over firm by the Halifax steamer, both at Frankfort and London.

The Railway Speculations was quite excited through the day, up in the morning, down at noon, and on the advance again later in the day. The transactions were large, and the fluctuations from 1¼ to 2 ₱ cent. both ways. A Street sale of 5,000 shares of New-York Central was made by a prominent *Bear* operator at 92 ₱ cent., after the price had touched 93@93¼ at the First regular Board. This sale was succeeded by a recovery to 92¼@92½ ₱ cent. Erie fluctuated 82½@80¾@81¼ ₱ cent. Some of the Western Roads finally left off, as will be seen from the following 4 o'clock quotations, lower than on Saturday, but the general temper of the market is to increased speculation on the *Bull* side, while the rise in the market continues to be formidably resisted by the opposite party, who made (or ought to have made) Money on the decline in January, and who continue to sell *short* with great freedom:

	Sat.	Mon.		Sat.	Mon.
U. S. 10-40s.....	94¾	94¾	Northwest.....	29¾	29¾
U. S. 5-20s.....	103¾	103¾	N. West Pref....	50¾	51
U. S. 7.30s.....	99¾	99⅝	Rock Island.....	106¾	106¾
N. Y. Central...	93¾	92¾	Fort Wayne.....	95¾	94¾
Erie.....	81¾	81¾	Cumb'land Coal.	45¾	44¾
Hudson.....	104½	104	Quicksilver.....	42	42
Reading.....	102¼	101¾	Mariposa.....	12¾	12¾
Mich. Southern..	71¾	71¾	Canton.....	44¾	44¾
Mich. S. & N. I..	71¾	71¾	Ohio Certificates	28	28
Cleveland.....	81¾	80¾	American Gold ..	137¼	137½
Prairie du Chien	56	56	Bills on London.	108	108¾

The following bids were made for the City Bank Shares:

New-York.....	112	Metropolitan.....	121
Merchants'.....	110	Market.....	110
America.....	136	Shoe and Leather....	102
Phenix.....	103	Corn Exchange.....	112
Leather Manufac'rs.	180	Continental.....	98½
State of New York..	106	St. Nicholas.....	99
Commerce.....	106	Marine.....	140
Mechs' Bk'g Asso'n..	106	Commonwealth.....	100
Ocean.....	90	Importers' & Traders'	101½
Bank of Republic...	108	Park.....	145
Bank of N. America..	106	Fourth National....	97¼
Hanover.....	108		

And the following for the Railway mortgages:

N. Y. Cen. 6s, 1883.....	91½	Chi. & N. W. Int. B....	80
N. Y. Cen. 6s, 1887.....	91¾	Han. & St. Jo. Land G.	90
N. Y. Cen. 7s, 1876.....	100	Mich. So. & N. I. Bonds.	80
Erie 1st M., '58.....	93¾	Del. L. & W. 1st M....	102
Erie 7s, 2d mort., '59..	100	Tol. & Wab. 1st M....	86
Erie 7s, 4th mort., 1860..	94	Ft. Wayne 1st M. Bonds.	82
Erie 7s, 5th mort., 1888..	92¾	Mil. & Pr. du Ch. 1st M.	99
Buf. N. Y. & E. 1st M. '77	93	Chi. & R. I. 1st M....	98
Med. R. & Cin. R.R. '76..	100	Pitts., Ft. W. & Ch., 2d	80
Harlem 2ds, '68.....	94	Clev. & Pitts. 2d Mort.	91
Chi., B. & Q. 8 p.c. Ists.	109	Clev. & P. 4th mort....	71
Mich. So. & N.I.S.F. 7s. c.	95	Miss. & Mo. R. G.1st M.	46½
Ill. Cen. 7 ₱ ct. 1875....	109	Chic. & Al. 1st M.....	72
Alton & T. H. 1st M....	88	Ohio & Miss. 1st mort.	85
Chi. & N. W. S. F.....	88¾	Peninsula R. R. bonds..	75

The day's business at the office of the Assistant Treasurer of the United States was as follows: Receipts, $2,349,405 15; for Customs, $364,000; on account of Loan, $66,000; Coin Certificates, $700,800. Payments, $2,652,421 64; Balance, $97,993,956 57.

GENERAL MARKETS.

NEW-YORK, Monday, Feb. 19, 1866.

The receipts of the principal kinds of Produce since our last have been 20 bbls. Ashes, 4,087 bbls. Flour, 415 bags Corn Meal, 597 bushels Wheat, 1,900 bushels Corn, 850 bushels Rye, 2,400 bushels Oats, 500 bushels Malt, 494 bbls. Beef, 713 pkgs. Cut Meats, 529 pkgs. Lard, 150 bbls. Beef, and 311 bbls. Whisky.

ASHES—Pots are in fair request at $7 75 ₱ 100 lbs. Pearls are quiet and nominal.

COFFEE—Is held firmly, but is inactive: Java at 27½c.@28c.; Maracaibo at 21c.@23c.; Laguayra at 21c.@23c.; Rio at 17c.@21c.; Native Ceylon at 23c.@24c; and St. Domingo at 17¼c.@17¾c., cash, in gold, ₱ lb.

COTTON—Has been in moderate demand at unaltered prices: Middlings, 45c.@45c. ₱ lb. Sales and re-sales since our last, 1,700 bales. The receipts at this port have been 144,926 bales since Jan. 1, 1866, and 587,745 bales since the commencement of the current Cotton year, Sept. 1, 1865.

DRY GOODS—The Dry Goods Exchange report, today, is as follows: *Jobbers' Prices*—Brown Sheetings—Atlantic A, 30c.; Atlantic D, 27½c.; Atlantic E, 25c.; Dwight A, 26c.; Lonsdale, 21c. Bleached Shirtings—Androscoggin, 46-inch, 40c.; Amoskeag A, 36-inch, 36c.; Ballou & Son, 36-inch, 32c.; Ballou & Son, 33-inch, 25c.; Hope, 24c. Prints—Cocheco, 24c.; Pacific, 23½c.; Hamilton, 23c.; Lancaster, 20c.; Wamsutta, 18½c. Ginghams—Glasgow, 26c.; Hartford, 24c. Canton Cloths—Manville, 20c.; Victory, 20c. Sellicias—Clinton, 36c.; Lonsdale, 23½c. Brown Drillings—Stark H, 28c.; Wmthrop, 26c. Corset Jeans—Nankeen, 33c.; Bates, 27½c. Canton Flannels—Hamilton, 35c.; Pemberton C, 30c. Ticks—Amoskeag A, 55c.; Amoskeag B, 50c.; Amoskeag C, 45c. Stripes—York, 50c.; American, 37c. Denims—Pearl River, 55c.; New-York, 49c. Hoop Skirts—Bradley's Duplex Elliptic, 20 to 50 hoops, 87½c. to $1 05; Empress Trail, $1 25; Meyer's I X L, prices unchanged. The following dispatches were received at the Dry Goods Exchange: St. Louis—Trade dull; prices falling. Louisville—Dark and gloomy; nothing doing; prices same as yesterday. Cincinnati—Market opens lively. Prints and domestics in good demand.

FLOUR AND MEAL—State and Western Flour has been quite heavy to-day, and prices have declined materially, especially in the instance of inferior and common grades, which have been in very limited request. Sales since our last 6,650 bbls., including 1,000 bbls. inferior to choice Superfine State and Western at $6 65@$7 25; inferior to Extra State at $7 40@$8 20, chiefly at $7 50@$7 80; round-hoop Extra Ohio, inferior to good shipping brands, at $8 25@$8 65 ₱ bbl. We now quote:

Superfine State and Western.....	$6 65 @$7 25
Extra State.....	7 40 @ 8 20
Extra Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, &c.	7 40 @11 00
Extra Ohio, round-hoop, ship'g brands	8 20 @ 8 65
Extra Ohio, trade and family brands..	8 70 @11 50
Extra Genesee.....	8 25 @11 25
Poor to choice extra Missouri..	9 40 @15 50

Southern Flour continues quiet and nearly heavy. Sales since our last 600 bbls., in lots, at $8 65@$10 10 for poor to good, and $10 15@$15 80 for good to very choice extra brands, ₱ bbl. Canadian Flour is lower; sales 600 bbls. Extra at $7 65@$11 ₱ bbl. Rye Flour continues inactive, including Superfine at $4 60 @$5 50 ₱ bbl. Sales 150 bbls. Corn Meal rules quiet at $3 75@$4 for Western, $3 75@$3 85 for Jersey, and $4 40 for Brandywine, ₱ bbl. Sales 150 bbls.

GRAIN—Wheat has been neglected and nominal in price; a small lot of good Milwaukee Club was sold at $1 35 ₱ bushel; the tendency of the market was decidedly in favor of buyers. Corn has been low and in demand and on the decline; sales 52,500 bushels, at 71c. @74c. for unsound, and 74c.@78c. for sound mixed Western in store and delivered, the latter rate for very choice, ₱ bushel. Oats continue quiet and steady, including Southern at 56c.@57c., Jersey and Pennsylvania at 50c.@52c.; old Western at 52c.@54c.; new Western at 38c.@43c.; Canada at 54c.@55c. ₱ bushel. Rye, Barley and Barley Malt continue dull and nominal.

HAY—North River bale has been in moderate request to-day at 80c.@95c. ₱ 100 lbs.

HOPS—Continue in moderate request at previous rates, including last year's crop at 25c.@65c., and two years old at 15c.@45c. ₱ lb.

MOLASSES—Has been in limited demand, including New-Orleans at 95c.@$1 10; Porto Rico at 40c.@ 75c.; Cuba at 54c.@58c. ₱ gallon.

NAVAL STORES—Continue quiet and depressed, including Spirits of Turpentine at 85c.@88c. ₱ gallon; Crude do. at $7@$7 25; Resin at $4 25@$15 ₱ 280 lbs.; Tar, at $2 50@$3 87½ ₱ bbl.

OILS—Have been inactive at declining prices, including Crude Whale at $1 87½@$1 40; Bleached Whale at $1 83@$1 95; Crude Sperm at $2 40@$2 45; Unbleached do. at $2 60; Lard Oil at $1 75@$1 90; Red Oil at 85c.@95c.; Linseed Oil at $1 40@$1 41 ₱ gallon.

PETROLEUM—Continues dull and heavy at 29c. @30c. for Crude; 48c.@47c. for Refined in bond, and 63c.@65c. for do. free, ₱ gallon.

PROVISIONS—Pork has been in more demand, chiefly on speculation, the market, however, closing heavily. Sales since our last, 5,400 bbls., in lots, at $28 62½@$28 87½ for new Mess, closing at $28 62½ cash; $28 for small lots one year old Mess; $23@$23 50 for old Prime Mess; and $20 50 @$21 for new Prime ₱ bbl. Sales were also made of 6,500 bbls. New Mess, March, April, May and June delivery, sellers' and buyers' options, part at $28 25@$29 ₱ bbl. Cut Meats are in moderate demand at 11¾c.@13c. for Shoulders, and 16¾c.@18¼c. for Hams; sales 245 pkgs. Bacon is quiet, including Cumberland Cut at 15c.@15¼c.; Short Rib at 13¾c. @16¼c.; Long Ribbed, 15¾c.@15¾c.; Long Clear at 15¾c.@15¾c.; Short Clear at 16c.@17c.; Long Cut Hams at 15¾c.@17c. ₱ lb.; sales 200 boxes Cumberland Cut, March delivery, sellers' option, at 15c. ₱ lb. Dressed Hogs are in less demand at 12¾c.@ 12¾c. for Western, and 13c.@13¼c. for City, ₱ lb. Lard is in good request and much firmer; sales 1,300 bbls. and tcs. at 16c.@18¼c., and small lots at 18¾c. ₱ lb. Beef is very quiet at $6@$30 for New Plain Mess, and $20 for New Extra do.; sales have been reported of 370 bbls. Tierce Beef and Beef Hams, at $24@$30 ₱ bbl. Tallow has been in good demand at 12c.@13c. for pure, 11c.@11¼c. for fancy State, and 12c.@13c. for Western, ₱ lb. Cheese is in fair request at 14c.@22c. ₱ lb.

BUTTER.

Orange and Steuben county pails, ₱ lb.....	45 @50
Orange and Steuben firkins, ₱ lb.....	40 @45
Half-firkin tubs, State—first quality, ₱ lb..	40 @43
Half-firkin tubs, State—second quality, ₱ lb..	40 @42
New-York State Dairies—firkins, extra, ₱ lb..	44 @45
N. Y. State Dairies—firkins—good to fine, ₱ lb.	40 @43
N. Y. State Dairies—Welch tubs—extra, ₱ lb..	40 @42
N. Y. State Dairies—Welch tubs—good to fine, ₱ lb.	36 @40
Ordinary State—Welch tubs, ₱ lb.....	33 @36
Pennsylvania Dairies—firkins—good to fine, ₱ lb.	33 @39
Western Reserve—firkins—fair to good, ₱ lb..	32 @33
Michigan and Indiana—firkins—fair to good, ₱ lb.	25 @29
Ill. and Wisconsin—firkins—fair to good, ₱ lb..	25 @29
Common Western—firkins, ₱ lb.....	22 @24
Canada Butter—good to fine, ₱ lb.....	30 @33
Roll Butter—good to fine, ₱ lb.....	30 @33
Roll Butter—extra in cloth, ₱ lb.....	33 @35

CHEESE.

Factory-made Dairies—first quality.....	21 @22
Factory-made Dairies—second quality.....	20 @20¼
Farm Dairies—first quality.....	21 @22
Farm Dairies—second quality.....	18 @20
Farm Dairies—common.....	17 @18
Orange County—flat skimmed.....	16 @18

SUGARS—Have been lightly dealt in to-day at former rates. Sales since our last 410 hhds., including Cuba, &c., part at from 10¾c.@12¼c., and 185 boxes Havana, at 12c.@12¾c. ₱ lb. We quote Fair to Good Grocer's at 11¾c.@12¾c.; refining at 11¾c.@11¾c. ₱ lb. Refined Sugars are in limited demand at 14½c.@ 17¼c. ₱ lb.

STEARINE—Sales since our last, 45,000 lbs. at 15¾c. @16¾c. ₱ lb.

TALLOW—Sales to-day, 64,000 lbs. at 11¾c.@12c. and 36,000 lbs. Grease at 11c.@12c. ₱ lb.

WHISKY—Has been inactive at $2 20@$2 21 ₱ gallon. Sales 150 bbls.

FREIGHTS—For Liverpool, there were taken 600 boxes Bacon at 25s. by sailing vessel, and 25s. by steamer, ₱ ton; 15,000 bushels Corn at 6¼d. ₱ bushel. For London, 100 tons Oil Cake at 20s. ₱ ton. For Cork and orders, a bark, with corn, at 6s. 3d. ₱ quarter.

LAW REPORTS.

UNITED STATES SUPREME COURT.

Application for a Writ of Prohibition—The Fifth over made in the Court and the First in Admiralty since 1798—Is the Obligation to pay Half-Pilotage under a State Statute a Maritime Contract or a Contract at all?

Chief Justice Chase presiding.

The United States vs. *Ogden Hoffman.*—This was an *ex parte* application made for a writ of prohibition, to be directed to the District Court of California, it appearing that that Court is proceeding as a Court of Admiralty and maritime jurisdiction upon a libel therein filed, upon a claim of one Raddish, as administrator, against the steamship *Pacific*, to enforce a claim for half pilotage under an act of the California Legislature, which provides, in one section, that "all vessels, their tackle, apparel and furniture, and the masters and owners thereof, shall be jointly and severally liable for pilotage fees, to be recovered in any Court of competent jurisdiction"; and in another, that "when a vessel is spoken, and the services of a pilot declined, one-half of the (prescribed) rates shall be paid."

The respondent excepted to the libel, on the ground that it did not set forth a case of which the Court, as a Court of Admiralty, had jurisdiction.

The Court below, per Justice Ogden, overruled the objection, holding that the admiralty and maritime jurisdiction of the Courts of the United States over suits for pilotage on the high seas, and on coasters navigable from the sea as far as the tide ebbs and flows, has been expressly affirmed by the Supreme Court, and has long been exercised by the District and Circuit Courts; that the service is strictly maritime, falls within the well established principles on which the admiralty jurisdiction of United States consuls is grounded; that this jurisdiction is not impaired by the circumstance that Congress has not seen fit, by independent legislation, to establish a general system of pilotage throughout the United States, but has adopted the regulations framed by the various States for that purpose; that the fact that an offer is not accepted, does not change the character of the contract as to the claim for half pilotage accruing in consequence.

The appeal is made under the Judiciary Act of 1798, sec. 13 of which provides that the Supreme Court "shall have power to issue writs of prohibition to the District Courts when proceeding as Courts of Admiralty and maritime jurisdiction:" and is made in consequence of the amount involved not being sufficient ($2,000) to authorize an appeal.

The result of the motion depends upon the question whether the case in the District Court is one "of admiralty and maritime jurisdiction," within the meaning of the Constitution of the United States; and the only ground upon which such jurisdiction is placed, is that the statute imposing the liability for half pilotage creates a contract, and that this supposed contract is a maritime contract in the sense which gives such jurisdiction.

Counsel for the motion argues, substantially, as follows:

First—Is the obligation in question a contract? There was no actual assent on the part of the master or owners of the vessel to any act on the part of the pilot, by which this claim accrued to him. There was no obligation on the part of the master to accept the pilot's services. The liability of the vessel rests solely upon the provisions of the statute and the acts of the pilot. A mere legal liability created by statute, may furnish the consideration or foundation of a contract, express or implied, but is not of itself a contract.

Second—But if it is a contract, is it a maritime contract?

It is not enough that such contract relates to the sea, or to a ship, or even to a particular voyage. This does not necessarily make it a maritime contract, in the sense which is the test of this jurisdiction. Abundant instances of such contracts, which are not maritime, will readily suggest themselves to the mind of the Court. But a case which will perhaps most forcibly illustrate the distinction, is a case where there was a contract with a seaman in respect of a projected voyage, that he should have wages, or, at the option of the employer not availing himself of his services, he should be paid a certain sum. It was held in this latter alternative of the contract, that it was not a maritime contract. (Bee's R., 199.)

There have been several cases before this Court respecting the validity of pilotage laws and other regulations of commerce by the statutes of the several States. These are various in their provisions and legal effect, and may be of infinite variety, according to the varying policy and supposed exigencies of the particular locality.

The Pennsylvania statute was held by Mr. Justice Grier to impose a tax, and not to import a contract. (The Creole, 2, Wallace J, 516; see also Martin *vs.* Hilton, 9 Mete, 373. Attention is also called to the following cases in this court: Cooley *vs.* The Board of Wardens, 12 Howard's Rep., 311; the *St. Lawrence*, 1 Black, 522; the Pacific Mail Steamship Company *vs.* Joliffe, 2 Wall, 450.)

Neither in these cases, nor in any other which has come before this Court, has the question of the Federal jurisdiction in respect to such obligations been determined; and it is new for the first time distinctly presented. It is believed that no Court, either State or Federal, has determined that the obligation to pay half pilotage, imposed by a State statute, is a maritime contract.

It is obvious that the admiralty and maritime jurisdiction of the Federal Courts cannot depend in any degree upon the will of the respective States. Although this Court, yielding to the peculiar geographical exigencies of the national commerce, has extended the admiralty jurisdiction to waters and places not the

SITUATIONS WANTED.

FEMALES.

A WOMAN—A SITUATION BY A YOUNG WOMAN to do chamber-work and sewing, or to take care of children. Call or address at 5 Thomas-st.

A WOMAN—A SITUATION BY A COACHMAN'S wife, to do washing, ironing, or cooking, or to take care of children. Call or address at No.

The New-York Times.

NEW-YORK, TUESDAY, FEB. 20, 1866.

To Advertisers.

Advertisers in the TIMES are requested to bring in their notices at as early an hour in the day as possible. If received after 8½ o'clock, it will be impossible to classify them under their proper heads.

Amusements this Evening.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC.
14th-st., corner of Irving-place.
THIS EVENING, Feb. 20, commencing at 8 o'clock, Italian Opera. CRISPINO E LA COMARE, complete cast, including Miss Clara Louise Kellogg, Sig. Irfro, Bellini, Ardavani, Dubreul, Mlle. Fisher and Muller. Conductor, Signor Torriani.

WINTER GARDEN.
Broadway, between Bleecker and Amity sts.
THIS EVENING, Feb. 20, commencing at 7½ o'clock, RICHELIEU; OR, THE CONSPIRACY. Characters by Edwin Booth, Charles Barron, J. H. Taylor, John Dyott, W. A. Donaldson, C. Kemble Mason, Miss Rose Eytinge, Mrs. Marie Wilkins, &c.

NIBLO'S GARDEN.
Broadway, between Prince and Houston sts.
THIS EVENING, Feb. 20, commencing at 8¼ o'clock, FANCHON, THE CRICKET. Characters by Messrs. J. G. Burnett, J. W. Collier, George Becks, E. B. Holmes, H. Danvers, E. Barry, Rendle, Neil; Misses Mary Wells, Farren, Maeder, Burke, H. Chapman, Everett.

WALLACK'S THEATRE.
Broadway, corner 13th-st.
THIS EVENING, Feb. 20, commencing at 8 o'clock—KING OF THE COMMONS. Characters by Messrs. J. W. Wallack, Charles Fisher, John Gilbert, Mark Smith Young, B. T. Ringgold, Norton, Williamson, Browne Graham, Pope, Miss Madeline Henriques, Miss Carman, &c., &c.

OLYMPIC THEATRE.
Broadway, beiween Houston and Bleecker sts.
THIS EVENING, Feb. 20, commencing at 7½ o'clock, THE TWO FRIENDS and WHO KILLED COOK ROBIN. Characters by Mrs. John Wood, Miss Eliza Newton, Mr. E. L. Davenport, Mr. J. H. Stoddart.

LUCY RUSHTON'S NEW-YORK THEATRE,
Nos. 728 and 730 Broadway.
THIS EVENING, Feb. 20, commencing at 7½ o'clock, THE BLACK DOMINO and BETWEEN YOU AND ME AND THE POST. Characters by Messrs. W. A. Meetayer, Olarke, Pearson and Burgins; Miss Lucy Rushton, Mrs. Maeder, Mrs. Mark Smith.

BROADWAY THEATRE.
Broadway, between Grand and Broome sts.
THIS EVENING, Feb. 20, commencing at 7½ o'clock, UNCLE SOLON SHINGLE and LIVE INDIAN. Characters by Messrs. John E. Owens, W. C. Forbes, J. W. Albaugh, F. J. Evans, Clinton, W. H. Hamblin, H. Jordan; Mrs. A. Hind, Miss Saidee Cole.

WOOD'S THEATRE,
Broadway, opposite St. Nicholas Hotel.
THIS EVENING, Feb. 20, commencing at 7½ o'clock, ATONEMENT; OR, THE CHILD STEALER. Characters by Messrs. Barton Hill, G. C. Davenport, Miss Lucilla Western, Miss H. Osborne, Mrs. E. Wright, Miss A. Seidler.

NEW BOWERY THEATRE.
Bowery, between Canal and Hester sts.
THIS EVENING, Feb. 20, commencing at 7 o'clock, RICHELIEU, ST. VALENTINE'S DAY and A TRIAL BY BATTLE. Characters by Messrs. G. C. Boniface, Thompson, and Mrs. Jones.

FOX'S OLD BOWERY THEATRE,
Bowery, between Bayard and Canal sts.
THIS EVENING, Feb. 20, commencing at 7½ o'clock, JACK and GILL WENT UP THE HILL, and a Favorite Farce. Characters by Messrs. G. L. Fox, C. K. Fox, Master Timothy and Mlle. Martinetti.

BARNUM'S NEW MUSEUM.
Broadway, between Spring and Prince sts.
THIS AFTERNOON at 2. EVENING at 7½ o'clock, MOSES; OR, ISRAEL IN EGYPT. MAGNIFICENT SCENERY, COSTUMES, &C. 100,000 CURIOSITIES.

NEW-YORK CIRCUS AND HIPPOTHEATRON.
14th-st., opposite the Academy of Music.
THIS EVENING, Feb. 20, commencing at 8 o'clock, ENGLISH STEEPLE-CHASE. THE SPRITE OF THE SILVER SHOWER; Or, SPORTS AND PASTIMES IN FAIRY LAND. THE KNIGHTS OF THE MARDI-GRAS.

BRYANT'S MINSTRELS.
Broadway, between Grand and Broome sts.
THIS EVENING, Feb. 20, commencing at 7½ o'clock, BLACKSMITH'S JUBILEE; ICE ON PARLE FRANCAIS; THE LIVE INGIN. Characters by Dan Bryant, Little Mac, Rollin Howard, Neise Seymour, Dave Reed, Neil Bryant, &c.

SOMERVILLE ART GALLERY,
No. 845 Broadway.
THIS DAY AND EVENING, Feb. 20—Exhibition of Bierstadt's last work, STORM IN THE ROCKY MOUNTAINS, for the benefit of the "Nursery and Child's Hospital."

HOPE CHAPEL.
Broadway.
THIS EVENING, Feb. 20, commencing at 8 o'clock. CORRIE'S ILLUSTRATED TOUR OF SCOTLAND.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

CONGRESS.

In the Senate yesterday Mr. NYE presented a bill providing for extending the area of Nevada. Mr. BANKS introduced a bill proposing to increase the capital of certain National Banks. Mr. WILSON introduced a joint resolution to disband the military forces of the States lately in rebellion. Evidence was presented at some length setting forth the outrages committed on the freedmen by the militia in some of the Southern States. Mr. HOWARD offered an amendment to the House resolution on representation, granting the right of suffrage to certain classes of the colored population, viz: to all negro United States soldiers of twenty-one years of age; to all adult males able to read and write the English, French or Spanish languages, and all adult males holding rent or personal property of the value of $250. Mr. YATES addressed the Senate in favor of the House resolution.

In the House, Mr. ROGERS introduced a bill in favor of an equalization of bounties. Mr. MCKEE introduced a joint resolution to amend the Constitution, by providing that no person shall be nominated for any office under the United States Government who has held office under, or in any way rendered aid to a government or conspiracy of a treasonable character. Mr. BROMWELL offered resolutions declaring that only loyal States have the right to vote on amendments to the Constitution. Mr. HENDERSON offered resolutions in favor of bringing to trial a sufficient number of leading rebels to vindicate the national authority. Mr. LONGYEAR introduced resolutions relative to the results of the rebellion. The first resolution declares that the rebellion has deprived the people of the States, in which it was organized, of all civil government. This resolution was agreed to by a vote of 102 to 36. The second resolution declares it to be the duty of Congress to guarantee to such States a republican form of government. Agreed to: yeas, 104; nays, 33. The third resolution justifies the President in maintaining the suspension of the writ of *habeas corpus* in those States. Which was agreed to: yeas, 117; nays, 29. The fourth resolution sustains the President in maintaining military possession and control in those States, and in protecting the Union citizens and freedmen. Adopted: yeas, 134; nays, 8. Mr. BANKS reported a joint resolution in favor of detailing a steam vessel for the purpose of making such surveys and soundings as may aid in establishing telegraphic communication between the Western and Eastern Continents, and for rendering such assistance as may conduce to the success of the enterprise. After some debate the resolution was passed. Mr. JAMES M. HUMPHREY reported a bill to prevent the spread of foreign diseases among the cattle of the United States. The bill was passed.

GENERAL NEWS.

There are reports of the appearance of a disease among cattle, resembling the rinderpest, in Montgomery County, Penn. The State Senate has appointed a Special Committee to make an investigation. It appears the disease first made its appearance in the Spring of 1865, and since then not only have a very large number of cattle died, but many of the diseased animals have been sold to farmers residing elsewhere, thus spreading the disease; and the meat of the dead cattle has been sold to a considerable extent in the markets of Philadelphia, some of it made up in the form of Bologna sausage. It has every appearance of the rinderpest, and the County Medical Society and Agricultural Society are both investigating it.

An agent of the American Missionary Society laboring in Virginia, recently called on a Presbyterian doctor of divinity, to interest him for the education of Freedmen, and the doctor coldly informed him that the Northern people had undertaken that job, and it would be left to them; when they got tired of it, as they soon would, then the Southern Christians would take it up. The missionary afterward called upon MOSBY, the guerrilla chief, who treated him in a very gentlemanly way, said the blacks ought to be educated and there could be no reasonable objection to it, and gave him assistance in finding citizens likely to assist him in his work.

The *Niagara* (Canada) *Mail* announces that the American Government has taken the necessary precaution to put a stop to Fenian or other raids which may be attempted, by giving instruction to the officers stationed at Fort Niagara to be on the alert, and fire upon parties who may make any attempt at a raid on that side of the river. The other side of the river is regularly patrolled by efficient guards, and the *Mail* says should any attempted raids take place the parties concerned will have a warm reception, both back and front.

The Territorial Legislature of New-Mexico has just adjourned. They have regulated their laws, to some extent, so as to agree with the recent amendment. They are also looking for State admission, and have ordered a State Convention to form a Constitution. The first section should change the name of the Territory. We have enough of "New" and "North" and "South" and "West;" let the new States select positive names, not geographical distinctions.

Chicago was the rendezvous, last week, of a large number of gamblers, pimps, roughs and sporting rowdies from the cities both east and west, to attend a brutal dog fight, the champions representing that city and the City of Boston. The contest lasted two hours and a half, whereupon the representatives of humanity present, in full sympathy with caninity, opened fight No. 2, which abounded in a free use of fists, cutlery and glassware, and winding up with a raid on an adjoining hotel. Unfortunately, all the crowd survived "to fight another day."

The Fredericksburgh (Va.) *Herald* announces with regret that several of the most substantial citizens of Caroline and King Georges are seriously contemplating a removal to the dominion of MAXIMILIAN. The spirit of migration is acting like leaven, and we should not be at all surprised to learn that a colony, respectable in numbers, and representing large interests, should speedily organize in this section of the State, preparatory to leaving in the Fall.

The Naval Committee of Congress, consisting of Messrs. William A. Darling, of New-York; F. C. Le Blond, of Ohio; Charles A. Eldridge, of Wisconsin; Augutus Brandagee, of Connecticut; Charles E. Phelps, of Maryland and William D. Kelley, of Pennsylvania, accompanied by Capt. G. V. FOX, Assistant Secretary of the Navy, visited and inspected the ironclads at League Island, on Saturday last.

The Chicago papers give a revolting story of a dog fight that came off near that city after months of preparation, between a Boston dog, named *Bowler*, and a Chicago dog, named *Billy*, for $500 a side. After three hours fighting, *Bowler* won the fight. *Billy* died almost immediately, and his antagonist lived only three hours.

A recent letter from a reliable source in East Tennessee says: "You can safely notify your patrons that a crisis is impending in East Tennessee. If they have newly made bills, unless on old, undoubted houses, they will do well to look after them. Even real estate at sheriff's sales here will not bring one-fourth of its real value."

Last week several interesting reports were received at Washington from agents of the Freedmen's Bureau in different parts of the South, regarding the freedmen and their former masters. Notwithstanding the great opposition to the system of paid labor, the condition of affairs is reported to be generally encouraging.

The Louisville *Journal* says that on the 22d of this month a grand mass convention, called by a large number of the most respectable and influential citizens of the State, will assemble at Nashville to express a hearty indorsement of President JOHNSON'S restoration policy, and declare anew the loyalty of the people to the Government of the Union.

The project of having a line of steamships between Philadelphia and Southern ports is about to be consummated. An act incorporating the Philadelphia and Southern Mail Steamship Company has been passed by the Legislature, and about $600,000 has been subscribed.

In the late severe storm in Wisconsin, six men are said to have been frozen to death while seated in a sleigh. Also, three men who had gone to the woods with their teams. One was found in a standing position, with both hands covering his face, within a few rods of a house.

ROBERT CARY, the father of ALICE and PHŒBE CARY, died on Feb. 11 at his home near Cincinnati. He was a fine, intelligent old man, and a true patriot. His farm became quite celebrated as "Clovernook" through the writings of his daughter ALICE.

A letter from Montgomery, Ala., says: "There is a great stringency in money matters in this section, and it must continue until the next cotton crop. The freedmen are working well."

A post-mortem examination has demonstrated the fact that Rev. Dr. CLEAVELAND, of New-Haven, died, not of pneumonia, as was at first supposed, but of heart disease.

The wife of J. A. GAYLORD, a banker of St. Louis, was burned to death last week, by her clothes taking fire as she walked by the parlor grate.

CARL SCHURZ has been appointed editor of the new Radical paper that is to appear in Detroit next month.

The weather at Charleston, S. C., on the 10th inst., was colder than at any period since 1857. Ice was formed on Ashley River.

The Marietta and Cincinnati Railroad is completed between Cleveland and the latter place.

LOCAL NEWS.

An action to recover the sum of $5,000, the amount of a life insurance policy, has been brought in the Superior Court by one CHARLES RANFTLE against the New-York Life Insurance Company. The defendants admit the issuing of the policy, and make no issue as to the death of the person whose life was insured; but set up as one of their defences that there was a conspiracy between the deceased, the plaintiff, his brother, and another brother named AUGUST RANFTLE, to defraud not only the defendants, but other life insurance companies, by falsely representing the habits, health, condition in life, &c., of the insured at the time the policy was obtained. Deceased had $10,000 on his life in another company at the time of his death. The case is now on trial before Justice MCCUNN and a jury.

PHILIP KRAEMER, the private watchman who was found on Thursday morning severely beaten about the head by burglars, who had carried off $2,000 worth of silk trimming from the factory of Messrs. HEINEMAN, SILBERMAN & Co., in Thirty-fifth-street, where KRAEMER was on duty, as previously reported, died during Sunday night, from the effects of his injuries. An inquest was held yesterday by Coroner WILDEY, and a verdict was rendered in accordance with the facts. The Jury recommended that the Mayor offer a reward for the detection of the perpetrators, and the firm have already offered one for the same purpose.

The mysterious tragedy in Forty-seventh-street still excites attention. The inquest was commenced yesterday, but no additional light was thrown upon the subject of the probable cause of death. A *post-mortem* examination was made yesterday, but no evidences of poison discovered. The inquest was therefore postponed until Monday evening next, to afford Prof. DOREMUS sufficient time to make an analysis of the contents of the stomachs. The mother is slowly recovering, and it is hoped that her deposition will be procured in time for the resumption of the inquest.

The General Term of the Supreme Court has affirmed the decision of the Court below in the case of the People on the Relation of the Market Commissioners *vs.* The Common Council of the City of New-York. This, it may be remembered, is the case of the Eighteenth Ward Market, where, by virtue of an act of the last Legislature, the Commissioners appointed applied to the Common Council for the issuing of $75,000 worth of stock, for the purpose of erecting a market in the Eighteenth Ward. The opinion in the case is given by Justice CLERKE; Judge INGRAHAM dissented.

There were 417 deaths in this City last week—103 men, 85 women, 119 boys and 110 girls—an increase over last week of 23, and a decrease of 80 as compared with the corresponding period of 1865. Of the deceased, 201 were children under five years of age. The mortality of the principal diseases was as follows: Consumption, 49; infantile marasmus, 27; scarlet fever, 17; typhus fever, 13; bronchitis, 16; infantile convulsions, 33; diphtheritis, 14; dropsy in the head, 17; inflammation of the lungs, 36. From external causes, 40. There were 59 deaths in the institutions, and 45 interments in Potter's Field.

The Board of Aldermen met yesterday. A resolution was adopted appointing a special committee with instructions to report on the best system of bridging Broadway. An ordinance creating a new clerkship in the Bureau of the Chief Clerk of the Common Council was laid over. A petition, numerously signed, was received, asking for the abatement of the nuisance at the corner of Fulton and Nassau streets, caused by a column of ascending steam. It was referred, and the Board adjourned to Wednesday next.

The Board of Councilmen yesterday concurred in the ordinance regulating the granting of permits for street stands, &c. The Clerk of the Common Council was directed to publish 3,000 copies of the Corporation Ordinances. On motion of Councilman PULLMAN, the communication of the Comptroller, containing a statement of the rents derived from City property, was referred to the Committee on Lands and Places, in order that it may be ascertained whether or not the property can be rendered more productive. The Board then adjourned.

In the case of the People on the relation of DENNIS against M. T. BRENNAN, Comptroller, &c., the General Term of the Supreme Court have affirmed the order with costs; BARNARD, Presiding Justice, dissenting. Opinions were given by Justices BARNARD and INGRAHAM. In the case of the People on the relation of ALONZO BLISS against M. T. BRENNAN, Comptroller, &c., the order is reversed, and a peremptory mandamus ordered with costs. An opinion has been given by Justice INGRAHAM.

A narrow escape from death by suffocation from coal gas occurred yesterday morning, in Tenth-avenue, near One Hundred and Fifty-second-street. Two families named SHELLIKER and BRADLEY, consisting of ten persons, were found about 4 o'clock A. M. completely prostrated by the fumes of coal gas issuing from a bakery in the basement. The Thirty-second Precinct Police removed the inmates of the dwelling, and they are now out of danger.

Mr. JOHN C. STAMP was crushed between a Fordham Railway car and the trestle-work at the Harlem Bridge on Sunday evening. He died the same evening. An inquest was held by Coroner COLLIN yesterday, and the Jury rendered a verdict censuring the Fordham Railroad Company for having their track so near the trestle-work of the draw.

Two burglars were surprised yesterday morning by Mr. RICHARDSON, residing on the corner of Fifty-ninth-street and Tenth-avenue, who was awakened by the gas being lighted in an adjoining room. He was knocked down and beaten by the thieves in their hurried exit from the premises. The burglars succeeded in escaping with a gold watch, valued at $500.

The four Police Courts yielded, yesterday, a robbery on the highway, an attempt to shoot a man in a Bowery lager-bier saloon, an assault with the knife, a forgery, two burglaries, and any number of thefts. The Justices declined to accept bail for several of the prisoners.

A decree of divorce was granted in the Supreme Court yesterday, by Justice BARNARD, in the case of ARBIE COEBRANE against THOMAS A. C. COEBRANE—such is the spelling of the names according to the bulletin in the clerk's office.

The Supreme Court at General Term yesterday, affirmed the judgment in the case of D. C. WHARTON SMITH et al. *vs.* the Independent Telegraph Company. The opinion was given by Presiding Justice BARNARD.

AUGUSTE LUDKIE, who was shot on the 16th inst. by one of a gang of rowdies engaged in a street brawl in front of a dance-house, No. 161 Washington-street, died during Sunday night at the New-York Hospital, from the effects of his wound. An inquest will be held to-day.

The appeal taken to the General Term of the Supreme Court in the case of WAGNER, the murderer, was decided yesterday. The judgment of the Court below is affirmed. We understand WAGNER'S counsel will take the case to the Court of Appeals.

The trial of CAHILL, accused of the murder of Policeman DURYEA, at Jones' Woods, on May 16, 1864, was commenced yesterday in the Court of General Sessions. So far, the testimony is unfavorable to the prisoner.

In the case of ORAM, in the Court of Oyer and Terminer, charged with being the murderer of Mr. VAN DORAN, in Beaver-street, some months ago, a jury has been impanneled, and the trial will proceed today.

The regular monthly meeting of the New-York Sunday-School Teachers' Association was held in the Madison-avenue Baptist Church last evening. The exercises were mostly of a devotional character.

SYLVESTER D. ALVOORD was arrested yesterday and held for examination before United States Commissioner OSBORN, on the charge of passing counterfeit fifty cent currency.

Mr. WOLFF KROENTHAL'S bakery, in the basement of No. 267 East Houston-street, was damaged by fire, at about 3 o'clock yesterday morning, to the extent of about $1,000. Insurance, $7,500.

Real estate at auction yesterday was flat, bidders and buyers being under the weather. At the Exchange Salesrooms at noon, there were not more than a hundred bidders, and but few sales were effected.

Gold was steady yesterday at 137¼@137¼, as on Saturday. Exchange on London advanced to 108¾@ 108¾. Government stocks steady. The Railway speculation excited, and the fluctuations frequent from 1 to 2 ₱ cent.

A limited demand prevailed for most kinds of produce and merchandise yesterday. Flour and Grain were declining. Lard was dearer. Freights were dull.

Transactions between dealers in animals designed for slaughter, at the various Live Stock Markets, are quite small. The cold storm of rain during most of the day on Monday, prevented an active business at most of the yards. Beeves sell no quicker than the same quality of animals did one week ago. Trade in milch cows is dull, and prices are not improving. Veal calves, well-fattened, are in fair request at last week's prices. Up to this hour sheep are heavy, with an upward tendency in prices for good mutton. Sales of live hogs are moderate, the demand fair and prices firm. The majority of dealers agree that prices are really no higher than they were one week ago, for any kind of animals except mutton sheep. As most of the beeves and milch cows are exposed to the storm in foul yards, and get but little to eat, the best ones do not appear as good as they really are, while poor ones look so badly that it is sometimes very difficult to sell them for what they cost in the country.

The Freedmen's Bureau Bill—The President's Veto.

The country will not be taken by surprise in reading the announcement of the President's veto of the Freedmen's Bureau Bill. That veto implies no essential difference of opinion between the Executive and the majority in Congress on the primary object of the bill.

The promoters of the measure regarded it as a necessary corollary of the enactments under which the slaves of the South acquired their freedom. But of these promoters a large proportion, we venture to think, were prepared to accept any modification in the proposed organization which, without imperiling the main object sought for, should better affirm a faith in the returning loyalty and good sense of the governing class at the South.

The President has not for one moment concealed, either from party friends or party opponents, that he cherishes this faith, and that he cherishes it in the face of an experience more bitter than fell to the lot of any public man of his rank who dared to stand by the Union in its hour of extreme peril. Just in proportion as he was prepared to make sacrifices for the integrity of the Union, when that integrity was most endangered, to the same extent to-day would he forego the *éclât* of a sectional popularity where his judgment refuses its assent. In the former case the severe test of experience has shown him to have been right. In the present instance he does not claim—and only the most indiscreet of those who call themselves his friends will claim on his behalf—any infallibility of judgment.

What must chiefly concern the President now, and what will most materially affect the position he is destined to hold in the judgment of his countrymen hereafter, lies in the assurance which the temper and bearing of his policy gives to all classes and sections that he has the permanent welfare and *unity* of the country at heart, above and beyond all other considerations. To dispute his right to recall the attention of Congress to considerations which may have escaped its attention in the enactment of specific measures, for the benefit of the freedmen or any other class, is to dispute the Executive authority as a coördinate branch of the National Legislature. To interpret his veto of this particular measure as an act at variance with the scope and direction of the national policy, would be a declaration of non-confidence more fatal to complete and cordial restoration, than all the acts of secession that were ever passed or conceived in the rebel States. The President abates nothing of his oft-expressed desire to see full and ample protection extended to the freedmen of the South. He is now, as he has been through the most trying crisis of the rebellion, profoundly and solemnly impressed with the belief that the question of Union is paramount to all others. And we are bound to believe him when he tells us in the opening sentence of this veto message, that it is "with profound regret" he has come to the conclusion that "it would not be consistent with the public welfare" to give his approval to the measure. We are also bound to believe, that a measure which should assure to the freedmen the same protection which the present was designed to provide, and which should offer fewer points open to objection in its details, would meet with a ready assent.

Some of the grounds of objection urged in the veto are not without force. The act of March last is still in operation. That was an act for a time of war. But additional experience as to what may be the best provision for a time of peace can do no harm. The bill, it is further urged, extends military jurisdiction over all parts of the United States, where refugees or freedmen may be found; and might, therefore, provoke a dangerous interference in districts where the ordinary judicial procedure has never been interrupted by rebellion. The military Judge, whose humbler title is an "Agent," may be so entirely a stranger in the district over which his jurisdiction extends as to be unable to do justice. The Judge thus empowered is not governed by any of the ordinary rules of evidence, the President and the War Department being the authorities to prescribe the forms and mode of procedure for his guidance.

Herein, the President thinks the proposed measure at variance with the words of the Constitution, which declares that "No person shall be held to answer for a capital or otherwise infamous crime, unless on a presentment or indictment of a grand jury, except in cases arising in the land or naval forces, or the militia when in actual service in time of war or public danger."

The President further presents objections founded on the rights and the existing *status* of the freedmen themselves. Their dependence, he urges, should be in the United States Courts and the State Courts, instead of military jurisdiction, and he refuses, looking to the actual value of negro labor in the South—to believe that the position of the freedmen is one so *exposed* as has been represented. The whole tone of the Message, however, shows that the Executive authority will not be interposed to prevent the enactment of any measure which, without overthrowing the existing civil jurisdiction of the Courts, shall insure to the emancipated class at the South complete and effective protection in their newly acquired rights.

In no essential point is the President at variance either with the majority in Congress or with the country—so far as the claims of the freedmen are concerned. He seeks to reach the end aimed at in the vetoed bill by other, and—what he deems—less radical agencies. It will, therefore, be for Congress and the country to weigh carefully the objections offered; and at least to respect, if they cannot assent, to the reasons on which the Executive veto is based.

Municipal Commissions.

The *Tribune* misrepresents Hon. Mr. LITTLEJOHN for the purpose of justifying, or attempting to justify, its own inconsistencies. Mr. LITTLEJOHN only objected to *partisan* Commissions. Non-partisan Commissions have reformed many and gross municipal abuses. These Commissions originated with an individual whose compensation for the abuse of the *Tribune* is found in their usefulness. The Commissioners of Emigration, as well as the law under which they were appointed, cost time, labor and contumely. The individual referred to had the active cooperation of but one New-Yorker. The eminently philanthropic Commissioners were named in the bill. The Park Commissioners were designated by the same individual, and also named in the bill. The excellent Board of Governors of Charities was constituted under the same auspices. And finally, on the suggestion of the same individual, by an agreement between Gov. SEYMOUR and a Republican Senate, a non-partisan Police Board was organized.

Appreciating the beneficent results of non-partisan Commissions, the last Legislature passed a law designed to reform the Fire Department by the appointment of a non-partisan Board of Commissioners. But the present Governor chose to arrest this policy. Instead of responding to the almost universal demand of our citizens, by nominating two Republicans and two Democrats, the Governor sent a political Commission to the Senate. Senators ANDREWS, WHITE, FOLGER, and others protested against subjecting the lives and property of our citizens to a partisan Commission, but they were overruled; and the terrible consequences are but too well known.

And this brings us to the Health Bill. In view of an approaching and fearful pestilence, our citizens framed a Health Bill, providing for an enlightened and efficient Board of non-partisan Commissioners. At Albany this bill encounters the fell spirt of party. The Governor, intent, it would seem, only upon the question of delegates to the next State Convention, claimed the appointment of the Commissioners. The Senate, with laudable independence, passed the bill in its non-partisan form. The Assembly struck out the life-preserving section. The Senate refused to recede from, and the Assembly adhered to its position. Committees of Conference were appointed. In the meantime, by a violation of faith and honor, a partisan of the Governor and the *Tribune* had been chosen a Police Commissioner. This worked a change. The vehement objections to the Police Commissioners subsided! A compromise was effected. The Governor appoints three physicians and a layman. And now the *Tribune*, alarmed at its own work, asks the Governor to appoint the same physicians whom the Assembly rejected! What a commentary upon faction! Into what a labyrinth of contradictions and humiliations devious and dishonest courses involves politicians!

GAS COMPANIES TAKE NOTICE.—A bill is now before the State Legislature, the passage of which would cause that body to be held in grateful remembrance to the last generation of suffering New-Yorkers. Substantially it puts the great gas monopolies on the same footing as the Insurance Companies. It calls for the establishment of a bureau at Albany to which these Companies shall make full and accurate returns at stated periods, and limits the amount of dividends that shall be made to stockholders to ten per cent. The surplus profits are to be divided *pro rata* among the patrons of the Companies who consume more than twenty dollars' worth of gas per annum. There is not an argument in favor of compelling Insurance Companies to make a full exhibit of their affairs, and of preventing the stockholders in them from deriving extortionate profits from those who patronize them, that does not apply with tenfold force to these great gas monopolies. No man is compelled to patronize an Insurance Company, but every one is obliged to burn gas to a greater or less extent, and it is a wrong to the public, which every year makes greater, that these corporations should be allowed to wax inordinately wealthy upon the necessities of the people. The law proposed would go far to set matters straight, and it should be passed.

The Police Commission—Broken Faith.

"Hon. BENJ. F. MANIERRE, of our City, has been nominated for Police Commissioner by the Union members of the Legislature. We presume there is no doubt of his election. He will prove a faithful and efficient officer."—*Tribune.*

In 1863, when the Executive Department was Democratic and the Legislature Republican, a non-partisan Police Board was organized, two of its members being Republican and two of them Democrats. That consummation had been long desired, and was universally approved.

The New-York *Tribune* was a party to the compact. Both political parties accepted it, and were bound by it. The term of Mr. MCMURRAY, a Democrat, expired first. The Republicans of the City, recognizing their obligations, presented no candidate. Not so with the *Tribune* faction, one of whom went to Albany, and, with the aid of the Governor and Speaker, succeeded in bringing dishonor upon the Republican Party. This shameful violation of faith, we are happy to know, was resisted by Messrs. PIERSON, LENT and MURPHY, Republican Senators from Brooklyn and New-York.

In December the *Tribune* opposed the Republican candidate for Mayor of New-York on the ground that the Chief Magistrate of the City should not be a partisan. How much of *sincerity* there was in this profession may be gathered from the fact that it now, in violation of the faith of the party, and of its own record, approves of the invasion, or a non-partisan Police Board.

Beside the disgrace which attaches to a party that violates a compact, the City is to pay dearly for it. When the Democracy recovers power—and they are, of course, strengthened by such outrages—they will wipe out the present efficient Police organization, throwing this great force back into the hands of FERNANDO WOOD, thus converting it into a scourge instead of a blessing to the City.

The Growth and Prosperity of New-York.

The growth of this City within the present century is one of the marvels of our country. The little town in which many of our older residents were born, has before their death taken rank among the great capitals of the world, with but a few ahead of it. The reminiscences of Mr. WEED, which have been published in our columns, carry that part of our population under forty years of age back to a period which seems to them centuries away. To read of the society and life, the commerce and industry, the ways and habits, the ideas and prospects, the theatres, the coffee and cake saloons, the evening walks and social talks of our immediate ancestors, who but lately inhabited the lower end of this island; and then to contemplate the City in its present proportions, its commercial and industrial development, its appliances of civilization and its intellectual position—it seems as if we had passed across a space in which generations had lived and died, instead of a period so brief that hundreds of men now living and enjoying the present order of affairs, spent the years of their boyhood and early manhood amid the older and primitive condition of things.

The geographical position and local advantages of New-York have unquestionably had much to do with its unparalleled growth. Of all the seaports on the North Atlantic it is the most inviting, and has the most facilities for commerce. Points by the Gulf of St. Lawrence may be nearer to the great commercial nations of Europe; but nature having made them available only half of the year, they are thereby rendered of little account the whole of it. The commercial points on the Gulf of Mexico are not only, as compared with New-York, a thousand miles out of the direct line of travel between the two civilized continents, but the geology of the region around the Gulf places almost insurmountable obstacles in the way of the establishment there of a city of the greatest pretensions; and the geology of the country bank of the Gulf is such as to render impracticable the building up of these varied industries, and the growth of these populous rural communities which are the necessary adjuncts and supports of all great cities. As for the rival cities nearer to us, if New-York can be said to have any rivals—as for Philadelphia on one side and Boston on the other, Portland in the North and Norfolk in the South—one has but to look at the map to see their inferiority to New-York in one or other of the characteristics which lie at the foundation of a great commercial city.

Not less forward has New-York been in the character of the stock which constitutes the basis of its population. It is not overrating our old Dutch element to say that the historical qualities it illustrated for centuries in Europe, and which it brought to this country, have contributed in a very high degree to the establishment of the City in that supremacy which it now enjoys. It is true enough that the Dutch were here for a couple of centuries before the City gave any astonishing signs of activity or growth; and it is possibly true that without an infusion of the qualities of the English stock we should never have developed into what we now are. But it is equally certain that without their broad-mindedness, their impassivity, their perseverance, their conscientiousness, their industrious habits and their commercial proclivities, New-York City would not have displayed these distinguishing traits today in the high measure that she confessedly does. It is a vital question in the history of a city who were its founders, and New-York was equally fortunate both in her founders and her foundation.

When about 1820, the City first gave intelligible indications of its subsequent greatness—when the astute and enterprising class of merchants (many of whom are still with us, reposing amid their wealth and laurels,) first came upon the stage—none fancied that the rapidity of the City's growth could in any measure approach what has since then been our experience. But the high swell of emigration which began to roll in from Europe, and whose volume has since then been magnified year by year, told beyond belief upon the growing little City. It brought with it new crafts and old experiences; it gave us new labor, and established among us the customs of an older civilization; much capital came with it, and much more followed in its wake. It amalgamated easily and solidly with our native element, and from the twain sprang the product of the present day. It concentrated largely in the city in which was its first experience of America, and which held out to them such unequaled attractions and opportunities. Capital, too, concentrated itself here for essentially the same reasons, and every shilling that found among us profitable investment was a lodestone to attract others to the same locality. Those who left the City for other parts of the State, or for the West, contributed hardly less to its growth and prosperity than those who remained in it. For the former first made a necessity, and then built that wonderful work, the Erie Canal, which has had such an untold influence in building up our City in population, wealth and power. They first made a necessity, and then built the vast system of railroads which find their termini in New-York, and which bear to us the wealth of half a continent, and distribute in return the products of the civilized world. They first made a necessity, and then built those thousand towns in our State, and in adjacent States, and throughout the great West, which now play the part of tributaries to their imperial and natural chief.

In all respects, New-York has thus the most solid basis for the present and the future. Its growth has been quick as that of a mushroom, but solid as the granite are its foundations. Its growth may be retarded and its prosperity impeded by such short-sighted cupidity as some of its land-holders and property-owners have lately displayed; but nothing short of absolute idiocy on their part can even temporarily prevent its march to a position where it will find its only rival in London.

To Our Kind Correspondents.

We receive, in one way and another, two or three hundred communications in each week. Of these we print perhaps a dozen. Necessarily, a great many well-meaning friends are disappointed in not finding their contributions in our columns. A few words of advice to correspondents generally may be useful, although this may be the hundredth repetition of the main points:

1. Never expect to see your manuscript after sending it to a newspaper. We have distinctly announced, again and again, that we *do not* preserve rejected articles. Had we done so, the TIMES building would long ago have been stocked as closely as a pawnbroker's shelves.

2. Never send a communication without giving your real name and address. More than three-fourths of the matter sent to us goes into the waste basket *without being read*, because we find upon them no real names. Any designing fellow may write stuff to put a newspaper in a wrong position; hence we insist upon actual personal responsibility, and in important cases we must be sure that the names are *bona fide*.

3. Don't write long essays. Give us new ideas; give us short, practical, common-sense (and *brief*) notes upon the vital questions of the hour. Mind the hint to be *brief*—VERY brief. Life is short; newspapers are circumscribed; space is valuable; words are many, and writers are over-garrulous. If you are convinced that you can add an idea or an item that will benefit or enlighten your fellow-men, say it, but say it in the briefest possible space. Don't "take my pen in hand to inform you that these few lines come hoping that you are well," &c. Think carefully over what you have to say, reduce your comments to the lowest possible fraction, express that by the most convenient logarithm, and it may be that your little gem will find a place in the *omnium gatherum* of a great newspaper.

4. Again we repeat, don't ask us to return or preserve manuscripts. Those of length that forbid copying are too long for printing. The first and easiest sin of an amateur writer is to be prolix. We have a clear recollection of the time when we could not for our lives have put these few hints in less than three columns. Take the advice of an old stager. The editor who unfolds a manuscript of half a dozen pages inwardly groans at the waste of words, glances at the beginning and the ending, and rejects nine in ten of such papers mainly because he cannot or will not wade through them. Long letters and communications are very often published, but they are almost invariably written by well-known friends in whom the editor has confidence.

5. We are quite willing to encourage those who have any good things to say. Therefore we ask them to heed this bit of advice. If they write, let the actual name and address accompany each item. A moment's thought ought to convince the most careless that it is not within reason that an editor should give the powerful indorsement of his paper and himself to matter which the writer is afraid or ashamed to own. And once more, remember that we have not time to return or preserve manuscripts—we cannot do it. Also remember that while you are crystalizing into words the grand ideas of which you are possessed, a thousand more may be doing the same thing; that the thousand and one valuable contributions may reach us all in a heap; that, in spite of our enlargement, we cannot by any possibility print more than a tenth of the ten hundred; that you have nine chances in ten of being one of the rejected. But don't give it up so; send us, *very briefly*, such important ideas as may occur to you, and we will do our utmost to give you voice in our columns. But don't forget to give your name, (in confidence, of course,) and don't expect us to preserve manuscripts.

GAS.—What is the matter with our Gas Companies? The stuff they now furnish us is most execrable. Looking up the dim vista of any gas-lighted street, we find just about what blind MILTON fabled of the nether hell:

"At once, as far as angels' ken he views
The dismal situation waste and wild:
A dungeon horrible, on all sides round
As one great furnace flamed; yet from those flames
No light, but rather darkness visible,
Served only to discover sights of woe.
Regions of sorrow, doleful shades, where peace
And rest can never dwell; hope never comes."

If blind old MELTSINGINES had been in Chatham-street last night, he would have felt, though he could not have seen, the singular fitness of his picture. A row of invalid glow-worms might have shamed the gas-lamps, so-called, which scarcely shed their lurid gloom over the half-visible frames of their iron brackets. Such light is miserable guidance and no protection. The best of all watchman, and the cheapest, is abundant and good gas. But if this base deterioration is to go on, our banks, insurance and other establishments where great values are deposited must come back to petroleum and tallow-dips. The present sort of gaslight is simply an invitation to burglars; thirty feet away from a "light" one could not see the elephant *Hannibal*. Yet we do not see that the metres record the least diminution, or that the monthly bills grow in the slightest respect sm

ling between high walls of water. The "fair" is then shifted a few yards, and we behold the Egyptians struggling in the waves. There are many scenes in this interesting drama of great merit, and a moving panorama of Egypt deserves particular mention for its effectiveness. Mr. HEILER has exercised more than his usual care, and has certainly been rewarded with complete success. The costumes, properties, emblems, &c., are thoroughly good. They could hardly be better at any Broadway theatre. If Mr. BARNUM will adhere to the standard of this piece, in the important respects we have referred to, he will speedily test the holding capacity of his very handsome and capacious theatre. We are glad to notice that he is already beginning to reinvigorate his company with an infusion of purer dramatic blood than has usually flown in its veins. Mr. DALY, who has been a leading member of the best companies in the City, made his *rentrée* here as *Moses*, and played that part with admirable clearness of diction and propriety of action. Mr. ANDREWS, although less moderate, was distinct and effective. Mrs. J. J. PRIOR, who, despite her voice, is one of the best and most useful actresses on the stage, was excellent as *Miriam*. Mrs. W. L. JAMISON was also acceptable as *Nitis*. Of the other actresses, the least said the better. So, too, of Messrs. HADAWAY and BRIDGMAN, who were as lively as a couple of cooked crabs. It is incredible that the gabble uttered by the gentleman last-named was ever penned. We prefer to think that it was hastily concocted on the spur of the moment. The drama was completely successful, and will be repeated twice daily until further notice. It should be remembered that the afternoon performances now commence at 2 instead of 3.

WOOD'S THEATRE.—Mr. CHAS. GAYLER'S sensation drama of the "Atonement, or The Child Stealer," was produced here last evening to an exceedingly good house. The performance terminated at too late an hour for any but the briefest mention. The play is an effective one, but it does not command any particular emotion, and therefore holds but loosely the sympathy of the audience. It has been put on the stage with more care than we expect at the hands of Mr. WOOD, and is well acted—the leading parts being played by Miss LUCILLE WESTERN and Mr. BARTON HILL, both of whom were excellent. We shall take another opportunity of speaking of the piece.

NIBLO'S GARDEN.—Miss MAGGIE MITCHELL commenced a new engagement at this establishment, playing, as usual, *Fanchon*, in the piece of that name. The announcement is sufficient.

MISS BATEMAN IN BROOKLYN.—The first night of Miss BATEMAN'S too brief season at the Brooklyn Academy was the occasion of a personal ovation rarely witnessed by theatre goers. The play of "Leah," under the management, reintroduced the fair Brooklynite to her admiring fellow-citizens. The house was crowded, the performance satisfactory, and the applause tremendous. Miss BATEMAN will appear again on Wednesday and Friday nights at the same place.

FROM THE STATE CAPITAL.

OUR ALBANY LETTER.

The Alleged Interview Between Gov. Fenton and a Senator—Correction—The Political, Civil and Criminal Codes—New-York and Oswego Midland Railroad—Some of the Secret History of the Health Bill.

From Our Own Correspondent.

ALBANY, Monday, Feb. 19, 1866.

In a recent letter to the TIMES I gave on authority that I deemed entirely reliable, an account of an alleged interview between Gov. FENTON and a Senator, wherein the former attempted to influence the latter's vote on the disagreement of the two Houses over the Health Bill. Desiring to misrepresent nobody in this correspondence, much less the Governor of my State, and seeking only to relate *facts*, I will now state that I believe my information was incorrect, and that I am convinced no such conversation took place. The statement I made came to me on such responsible authority that no correspondent could have hesitated to notice it. I do not care now to state what my authority was, or why one story should be told one day and another the next, but merely content myself with saying that the whole thing was apparently a sensation, got up in a certain quarter to excite attention and sympathy. As it did injustice to the Governor, it should be corrected.

I believe it has not been made known to the public that the Judiciary Committees of the two Houses, at the time of the adjournment, had been at work for a fortnight on the Penal Code reported by the Commissioners, and that both committees intend to meet together until not only that code, but the Political and Civil Codes shall have been considered and reported. There is some probability that, as a result of the labors of the joint committee, there will be an entire revolution of the law on the subjects to which they relate. Lawyers who have familiarized themselves with existing laws and forms, quite generally object to a change, but others believe that the adoption of these codes would greatly simplify the whole matter, and dispense with a vast mass of useless lumber and senseless verbiage which now fill the law-books,

* * * "And lead, by ragged routes,
From ancient dogmas down to modern fact."

At all events, there will be a concerted effort to adopt these codes, which, having been printed and circulated, are probably understood in their general character by lawyers and others interested throughout the State.

The bill to facilitate the construction of the New-York and Oswego Midland Railroad passed the Senate on Saturday, before the adjournment, by the following vote:

YEAS—Messrs. Barnett, Bennett, Campbell, C. G. Cornell, E. Cornell, Crowley, Gibson, Godard, Humphrey, Kline, La Bau, Low, T. Murphy, Platt, Stanford, Wilbor, Williams, Wolcott—18.

NAYS—Messrs. Folger, Lent, O'Donnell, Sutherland, White—5.

As passed, the bill exempts the road from taxation until a single track shall be laid throughout its length. It will go to the Assembly, and after the adjournment will, doubtless, provoke a spirited contest in that body. It will be championed in the House by Mr. LITTLEJOHN, of Oswego.

I should, perhaps, state as a matter of history, that previous to the agreement of the Conference Committees on the Health Bill, Lieut.-Gov. ALVORD and Senator FOLGER had a somewhat protracted interview with Gov. FENTON. Precisely what that interview was is unknown, but there is no doubt that it exerted a powerful influence in inducing the Senate Committee to concede the appointment of the four Sanitary Commissioners to the Governor. It is hinted that the Governor gave an assurance that he did not desire to appoint a partisan board, as in the case of the Fire Commissioners, but simply sought to make the Commission effective as a sanitary, and not a political measure. Certain it is that there was no prospect of an agreement of the two committees until after this conversation was had with the Governor, after which it was given out at once that there was a prospect of accomplishing something. If, after all, an efficient non-partisan board is secured, the public will exclaim, "All's well that ends well."

PERSIMMON.

MEXICO.

Papantla Garrisoned by Austrian Troops—Earthquake in the Province of Oajaca—Churches and Other Buildings Destroyed.

Files of the *Pajara Verde*, a newspaper published in the City of Mexico, have been received here, with news to Jan. 30.

The adhesion of Papantla to the Empire is announced. The place is held by Gen. THUN with an Austrian garrison.

The Emperor has issued a decree authorizing the formation of a company for exploring and colonising the District of Huamchinango, and Mitlatoyuca and Amixtlan.

The earthquake of the 2d of January proves to have been more extensive than was at first reported. At Oajaca it consisted of oscillations from north to south, ending with a confused shake, the whole lasting about a minute. The people were much frightened, many thinking that the end of the world was at hand. A number of the houses in the city were badly damaged, among them the Government palace. At Coscomatepec, the parish church and several other buildings were destroyed, but as the population had sought refuge in the open streets and squares, no one was killed.

At Cordoba there was a general panic. Many buildings were damaged and it was believed that if the shock had lasted five seconds longer the whole city would have been in ruins. In one of the sold churche a French force was stationed, and the last man had just left the building when the dome and cupola fell. Only one person was injured. In many of the smaller interior towns much damage was done.

Seventeen persons were drowned on the 10th of January by the wreck of a small vessel, the *Manuelita*, near Carmen.

Progress of the Marietta and Cincinnati Railroad—Fire.

CINCINNATI, Monday, Feb. 19.

The Marietta and Cincinnati Railroad have completed their track from Cleveland to Cincinnati. The first train passed over the road on Saturday.

The saddlery and harness store of MCCALLUM BROS., on Main-street, was destroyed by fire yesterday. Loss $20,000; insurance $5,000.

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printed and the consideration of the bill be postponed till to-morrow at 1 o'clock.

Mr. GRIMES asked for the admission of the motion.

Mr. LANE, of Kansas, said that this was a message of the President, and was entitled to deliberate consideration. He would presume the vanity of the party, and he hoped a postponement would be voted.

Mr. MCDOUGAL said the President had with great care and courtesy asked the renewed consideration of this body to the questions involved in this bill. He hoped the subject would be postponed.

The motion to print was agreed to.

Upon the question of postponement the yeas and nays were taken, resulting, yeas 17; nays 28, as follows:

YEAS—Messrs. Buckalew, Cowan, Davis, Dixon, Doolittle, Guthrie, Hendricks, Lane of Kansas, McDougal, Morrill, Nesmith, Riddle, Saulsbury, Stewart, Stockton, Van Winkle, Willey—17.

NAYS—Messrs. Anthony, Brown, Chandler, Clark, Conness, Cragin, Cresswell, Fessenden, Foster, Grimes, Harris, Howard, Howe, Kirkwood, Lane of Indiana, Morrill, Pomeroy, Ramsey, Sherman, Sprague, Sumner, Trumbull, Wade, Williams, Wilson, Yates—28.

Mr. LANE, of Kansas, said he felt warranted in using "parliamentary tactics" to secure a postponement. He moved that the subject be postponed till 5 o'clock.

Yeas, 17; nays, 29. Mr. LANE then moved to adjourn, but this was disagreed to.

After other desultory motions, Mr. SHERMAN, who had voted with the majority, said it was hardly fair to grant an opportunity for discussion to those who had expressed a desire for it. If four-fifths of the body should determine to consider the subject now, it would be in the power of two or three to keep the Senate in session all night to no purpose. He therefore moved to adjourn.

The motion was carried without division, and the subject comes up for consideration to-morrow, at 1 o'clock.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

EQUALIZATION OF BOUNTIES.

Mr. ROGERS, of New-Jersey, introduced a bill to pay a bounty to the volunteers of 1861 and 1862 equal to the highest bounty paid to the volunteers of 1863 and 1864, equalizing the bounty according to the time of service; and to pay the three months' men a bounty of $100, deducting from said bounty any sum heretofore paid; and to pay $33 33 to the one-year men, to complete the payment of the $100 promised them. Also, a bill constituting eight hours a day's work for all laborers, workmen and mechanics employed by or for the Federal Government. Also, a bill to repeal all acts of Congress exempting Government bonds and securities from taxation by or under Government, State or municipal authority, and empowering the State to tax them the same as they tax other property, and imposing a Government tax of one quarter per cent. upon them.

These bills were appropriately referred.

TRANSFER OF BARRACKS AND HOSPITALS.

Mr. SPALDING, of Ohio, offered a resolution, which was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs, authorizing the Secretary of War to transfer to any benevolent institution designated by the Governor of any one of the several States, temporary barracks, hospitals and encampments, provided there shall be no transfer when the property shall exceed in value $5,000.

BOUNTIES TO THE ONE HUNDRED DAYS MEN.

Mr. CLARK, of Ohio, introduced a bill giving bounty lands to officers and soldiers who served as one hundred days men, which was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

A CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT.

Mr. MCKEE (of Ky.) introduced a joint resolution to amend the Constitution of the United States. It provides that no person shall be nominated for or hold the office of President, or Vice-President, or Representative, or Senator, or any office under appointment of the President requiring confirmation by the Senate, who has been or shall hereafter be engaged in any armed conspiracy against the Government, or who has held any office under any pretended Government or conspiracy, or who has or shall hereafter volunteer, aid or encourage any conspiracy or rebellion against the Government of the United States. Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

PROTECTION FROM ILLEGAL PROSECUTION.

Mr. MOULTON introduced a bill, which was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs, for the protection of persons from illegal prosecution for acting under military authority.

STATUS OF THE REBEL STATES.

Mr. BROMWELL, of Illinois, offered a series of resolutions, declaring that the States of the Union which did not renounce their allegiance to the Federal Government, but defended the same in the face of the enemy in the war for the preservation of the Union, are the only States with the legal power to determine upon amendments to the Constitution; that those States which denied their allegiance to the Federal Government, and by their conventions, Legislatures and Executive powers turned over their several States to a foreign and another and distinct nationality, sought to be erected for the purpose of waging war, abrogated all government in those States as in and of the Union, and did wage a war against the Government of the United States until overthrown by force, and are not now in the field because our force and means prevented them from making further war. They have no further right to vote for any amendment to the Federal Constitution, or otherwise act so as to affect the rights of the loyal States, until they are restored to full power in the Union by Congress; and whenever any amendments shall be ratified by two-thirds of the Legislatures of the loyal States, and the States restored to the Union, they shall be held a part of the Constitution for all purposes.

Mr. ELDRIDGE, of Wisconsin, objected to the introduction of the proposition, but the House, by a vote of 78 against 31, granted leave, and it was refered to the Committee on the Judiciary.

DUTY ON PRINTING PAPER.

Mr. INGERSOLL, of Illinois, introduced a joint resolution that, in lieu of the duty on printing paper, unsized, used for books and newspapers exclusively, now levied by law, there shall be levied, collected and paid a duty of three per centum ad valorem.

PENALTIES FOR TREASON.

Mr. HENDERSON, of Oregon, offered resolutions declaring that the Government of the United States is intended to protect every individual in the free and untrammeled exercise of all his rights and privileges; that our safety and prosperity require that just and adequate penalties be visited on those who violate the law, and upon all transgressions—not for the purpose of retaliation or revenge, but to secure subordination to the constituted authorities; and that the House will stand by and sustain the President in executing the laws, by bringing to trial a sufficient number of the leading rebels against the National Government, in order to vindicate the national authority, sustain the confidence of the loyal people, and to rebuke conspirators and traitors for all time to come.

Debate arising, the resolutions went over.

MR. BANCROFT'S ADDRESS.

Mr. LAFLIN, from the Committee on Printing, reported a resolution, which was adopted, providing for the printing of 20,000 extra copies of the address of Hon. Mr. BANCROFT and other proceedings attendant on the memorial services on the life and character of the late President LINCOLN.

PETITIONS FROM THE THEATRES AND ASSISTANT ASSESSORS.

Mr. RAYMOND, of New-York, presented a memorial of theatres in New-York, Boston, Philadelphia, Baltimore and Washington, for an amendment of the law imposing taxes upon them, and asking relief from the tax upon their receipts when they do not equal their expenses. Referred to Committee on Ways and Means. Also the petition of the Assistant Assessors of the Thirty-second District of the City of New-York, for an increase of pay and allowances.

REMONSTRANCE FROM THE ENVELOPE MANUFACTURERS.

Mr. KETCHAM, of New-York, presented the remonstrance of ARCHIBALD WILSON and others, manufacturers, &c., of paper and envelopes, of Poughkeepsie, N. Y., against the passage of the bill to sell stamped envelopes at the cost of the stamps only.

THE FREE TRADE LEAGUE.

Mr. KASSON presented the memorial of the American Free Trade League in reference to the Reciprocity Treaty, which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

RESOLUTIONS ON THE RESULTS OF THE REBELLION.

Mr. LONGYEAR introduced a series of resolutions declaring the views of the House relative to the results, &c., of the rebellion.

Mr. FINCK moved to lay them upon the table, which motion did not prevail.

Mr. RAYMOND called for a division of the resolutions and desired to ask a question.

Mr. LE BLOND should object unless an opportunity were afforded those who were opposed to the resolutions to express their reason for voting against them.

Mr. RAYMOND asked that the vote should be taken on the first two resolutions.

Mr. WINFIELD demanded a vote on each and all.

Mr. SMITH inquired whether the resolution did not go to the Committee on Reconstruction.

The Speaker replied that the point of order came too late—otherwise the resolutions would go to that Committee.

The House then voted on the first resolution as follows:

Resolved, That in the language of the proclamation of the President, of May 29, 1865, the rebellion "which was waged by a portion of the people of the United States against the properly constituted authorities of the Government thereof in the most violent and revolting form, but whose armed and organised forces have now been almost entirely overcome," had in the revolutionary progress deprived the people of the States in which it was organized of all civil government.

This was agreed to by a vote of yeas 102, nays 36, as follows:

YEAS—Messrs. Allison, Anderson, Ashley of Nevada, Ashley of Ohio, Baker, Baldwin, Banks, Baxter, Beaman, Benjamin, Bidwell, Bingham, Blaine, Boutwell, Brandegee, Broomall, Clarke of Ohio, Clarke of Kansas, Cobb, Conklin, Cook, Defrees, Deming, Donelly, Driggs, Eckley, Eggleston, Eliot, Farnsworth, Ferry, Garfield, Grinnell, Gurley of Illinois, Hayes, Henderson, Higby, Holmes, Hooper, Hubbard of Iowa, Hubbard of New-York, Hubbard of Connecticut, Hubbell, Hulburd, Jenckes, Julian, Kasson, Kelley, Kelso, Kerkham, Kuykendall, Laflin, Lawrence of Ohio, Loan, Longyear, Lynch, Marston, Marvin, McClurg, McIndoe, McKee, McKee, Moorhead, Morrill, Morris, Moulton, Myers, O'Neill, Orth, Paine, Perham, Pike, Plants, Price, Randall of Kentucky, Rice of Massachusetts, Rice of Maine, Sawlin, Schenck, Scofield, Shellabarger, Sloan, Spalding, Starr, Stevens, Thayer, Trowbridge, Upson, Van Aernam, Ward, Warner, Washburne of Illinois, Washburn of Massachusetts, Walker, Wentworth, Williams, Wilson of Iowa, Wilson of Pennsylvania, Windom, Woodbridge.

NAYS—Messrs. Ancona, Bergen, Boyer, Brooks, Chanler, Dawson, Eldridge, Finck, Glossbrenner, Goodyear, Grider, Hale, Harding of Kentucky, Hubbard of West Virginia, Kerr, Latham, McCullough, Mercer, Niblack, Nicholson, Phelps, Radford, Randall of Pennsylvania, Raymond, Rebler, Rogers, Ross, Rousseau, Shanklin, Smith, Taber, John L. Thomas, Thornton, Trimble, Whaley.

The next resolution was read as follows:

Resolved, Whenever the people of any State are thus deprived of all civil Government, it becomes the duty of Congress by appropriate legislation to enable them to organize a State Government, and in the language of the Constitution to guarantee to each State a Republican form of Government.

This was agreed to by yeas 104, nays 33.

The third resolution was then voted on, namely:

Resolved, That it is the deliberate sense of this House that the condition of the rebel States fully justifies the President in maintaining the supension of the writ of *habeas corpus* in those States.

This was agreed to by yeas 117, nays 20.

The fourth and last resolution was read, as follows:

Resolved, That it is the deliberate sense of this House that the condition of the rebel States fully justifies the President in maintaining military possession and control therein, and that the President is entitled to the thanks of the nation for employing the war power for the protection of the Union citizens and the freedmen in those States.

This was adopted by yeas 134, nays 8.

NAYS—Messrs. Grider, Harding of Kentucky, McCullough, Ritter, Rogers, Shanklin and Trimble.

THE PACIFIC OCEAN TELEGRAPH.

Mr. BANKS, from the Committee on Foreign Affairs, reported a joint resolution authorizing and requiring the Secretary of the Navy to detail one steam vessel from the Pacific Squadron to make a survey and soundings both of the American and Russian coast where it is proposed to establish telegraph communication between the Western and Eastern Continents, and for the transportation of materials, and generally afford such assistance as may be calculated to secure the success of the enterprise and to carry out the purposes of the act of July, 1864.

Mr. WASHBURNE, of Illinois, opposed the resolution, as he was not willing to place the navy at the disposal of a foreign Government or private parties.

Mr. BANKS, of Massachusetts, said if action were taken on this subject it should be done at once.

Mr. STEVENS, of Pennsylvania, remarked that last year, when Congress permitted the Company to lay a telegraph by way of Russia, they authorized the Secretary of the Navy to send one or two ships to aid them, but some clerk in that Department said the vessels should not be sent, as the act read "authorized" and not "required." Russia had ordered two vessels for the service. He hoped that the intention of the law would be carried out, and that the vessel might not be withheld merely on the whim of a clerk.

Mr. BANKS said this was one of the grandest enterprises of the age. The vessel proposed to be furnished would carry the flag of the country. It was desirable to connect the lines at Behring's Straits. The author of the enterprise, Mr. COLLINS, was a native of New-York, but a citizen of California. Col. BULKLEY, as well as Mr. COLLINS, was well known to him. He was one of the most able, patriotic and firm men he ever knew. The telegraphic connection will be completed in 1867. By its establishment the Secretary of the Navy would be able to communicate with our vessels in any part of the earth. Not only Russia had sent out vessels, but the British Government had also given everything required; and the American Government had done something except this vessel.

Mr. WASHBURNE, of Illinois, said this was a bill in effect asking the people to pay the expense which the Company itself incurred.

Mr. BROOKS, of New-York, said this was not a corporation. The enterprise was a great act of civilization, and the American continent to the Old World. It was the only means of reaching the people favorable to the United States. It was indispensably necessary, situated as we are with France and England, to unite ourselves with our only national friend—Russia.

Mr. BANKS repeated that this was not a private telegraph. The whole world was interested in it. If the Navy Department had no interest in it, the people of the United States have. This line would place us in communication with six hundred millions of people in Russia and China—the only national friends we have. It dwarfed, in the future, the European Powers hostile to us. Therefore every member ought to vote for the measure now before the House.

The joint resolution was passed.

THE RINDERPEST.

Mr. JAMES M. HUMPHREY, from the Committee on Commerce, reported a bill, which was passed, to prevent the spread of foreign disease among the cattle of the United States, so as to read that "the importation of neat cattle and hides is hereby prohibited, provided that the operation of this act, or any part thereof, shall be suspended as to any foreign country, or part of a foreign country, whenever the Secretary of the Treasury shall officially determine, and give notice thereof, that such importation will not lead to the introduction and spread of infectious diseases among cattle of the United States." It is made the duty of the Secretary to make all necessary rules and regulations to carry this law into effect, and to send copies thereof to the proper officers of the United States and agents in foreign countries as he shall judge necessary. The President, whenever in his judgment the importation of the cattle will not be injurious may, by proclamation, declare the provisions of this act inoperative and the same inoperative and of no effect, from and after thirty days after the issue of the proclamation.

Persons offending against this law are, on conviction, subject to a fine of $500, or imprisonment for one year, or both, at the discretion of the Court.

The bill was passed.

THE INDIANA CONTESTED ELECTION CASE.

Mr. DAWES, from the Committee on Elections, reported a resolution declaring that Mr. VOORHEES is not, but that Mr. WASHBURNE is, entitled to the seat that is now held by the former.

A MEXICAN LOAN.

Mr. SCHENCK, of Ohio, offered a resolution calling upon the President to inform the House, at as early a day as practicable, if in his opinion not incompatible with the public interest, whether there is any correspondence or other information on file in the State Department, having relation to any steps taken by the Republican Government of Mexico, directing the negotiation of a loan in the United States for the purpose of procuring means to enable that Republic to maintain its independence.

Mr. RADFORD, of New-York, objected to the introduction of the resolution.

THE PENNSYLVANIA CONTESTED ELECTION CASE.

The House resumed the consideration of the Pennsylvania contested election case, between ALEXANDER COFFROTH and WILLIAM H. KOONTZ. The House voted on the resolutions of the minority of the Committee, giving Mr. KOONTZ the seat and allowing Mr. COFFROTH to contest it. It was disagreed to by 86 against 82 votes.

The resolution of the majority, giving the seat to Mr. COFFROTH and allowing Mr. KOONTZ to contest it, was then adopted.

Mr. COFFROTH was then sworn in.

The House adjourned.

NEW-MEXICO.

Project of a State Organization—New-Mexico Knocking at the Door.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Monday, Feb. 19.

The *Journal of Commerce* has published a letter from Secretary AMOY, dated Santa Fé, Feb. 3, which says the Legislature of New-Mexico has just adjourned. A large number of laws were passed during the session. The Free Negro Law was repealed and the Peon Law amended so as to make servitude under it voluntary. A convention has been ordered to frame a State Constitution, the election of delegates to which is to be held the first Monday in April next. The Constitution is to be submitted to the people immediately after being framed. Only two members of the Legislature voted against the State organization.

The Fenian Folly.

PITTSBURGH, Penn., Monday, Feb. 19.

There is a large number of delegates to the Fenian "Congress"—probably four hundred in attendance, and more coming. Col. MURPHY, Speaker of the House of Representatives, called the "Congress" to order. R. T. RAMSFORD was elected Secretary *pro tem*. The Committee on Credentials, one from each State, were appointed, when the "Congress" adjourned until called together by the Chairman of the Credential Committee. There will be a grand procession to-night, with speeches by Gen. SWEENEY and others.

A Billiard Tournament.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Saturday, Feb. 17.

At the billiard tournament last night in the game of 1,500 points between FOSTER and CHOATE, FOSTER was the victor, winning by 449 points, making runs of 205 and 285. FOSTER'S runs averaged 100 points.

In the second game of 1,000 points between KAVANAGH and MYERS, KAVANAGH was the winner. KAVANAGH gave MYERS 250 points, and won the game by 24 points.

The tournament will continue several days longer.

Vessels Arriving at Boston.

BOSTON, Monday, Feb. 19.

Within the last forty-eight hours, a large fleet of vessels has arrived here, bringing valuable cargoes from the East and West Indies, California, the Mediterranean, and southern coastwise ports. Besides large quantities of sugar, molasses and coffee, some 12,000 bales of cotton have been received since Saturday.

Sunday-School Teachers' Association.

The regular monthly meeting of the New-York Association of Sunday-School Teachers was held in the Madison-avenue Baptist Church, last evening, RALPH WELLS, Esq., in the chair.

The meeting was set apart for prayer in behalf of fellow-teachers, coworkers, and scholars in the Sabbath-schools connected with the various churches; that the presence of the Holy Spirit might be made manifest in the schools; that the labors of the teachers might be blessed to that end; and that their faith might be strengthened in the work which they had to do.

Mr. WELLS, the Chairman, in opening the meeting, read the first chapter of Joshua, and urged upon his hearers the importance of the promise of God to Joshua, "As I was with Moses so I will be with thee; I will not fail thee, nor forsake thee."

Delegates from various Sundays-chools reported the spiritual condition of their schools, and others led in prayer in accordance with the object of the meeting.

Mr. WILLIAM R. DODGE, Jr., in addition to his statement regarding his school, presented the claims of the Young Men's Christian Association, which was now doing a great work among the young men of the City.

Mr. PULLEN, one of the agents of the Sunday-school Union, located at Janesville, Wisconsin, related several encouraging incidents which had come under his observation in connection with his mission. He said he had just come from Richmond, Va., where a large Sabbath-school of five or six hundred colored children had been established. The teachers of these colored children were despised as if they were dirt, and among the people generally, he was sorry to say, then was the bitterest spirit of hatred of the North. The last Sabbath he was there he heard Rev. Dr. BURROUGHS preach a sermon from the text: "Cursed be Canaan; a servant of servants shall he be unto his brethren." In the course of which he took occasion to urge upon his hearers the doctrine that Slavery was the best condition for the negro; that it was the only means by which God had ordained to civilize him and bring him to God and righteousness. In the churches there was no particular manifestation of spiritual warmth. There was no union of teachers, each of the denominations working alone in their own immediate sphere.

Rev. Dr. WESTON made a brief address, in which he urged upon the meeting belief in God as a source of strength and encouragement.

The meeting, which was well attended considering the inclement state of the weather, was then concluded, Rev. Dr. WESTON pronouncing the benediction.

THE TRIPLE INFANTICIDE.

Commencement of the Investigation before the Coroner—Post-Mortem Examination—The Mother Slowly Recovering.

The mystery attending the deaths of the three young children who were found dead in a shanty last Saturday evening by their father on his return from work, and who are supposed to have been murdered by their mother, ANASTINA SHOTZ, who was at the time of the discovery laboring under the effects of some unknown poison, still continues a profound and perplexing enigma.

Yesterday a *post-mortem* examination of the bodies of the three children was made by Dr. SHAW, Deputy Coroner, assisted by Drs. LITTLE, SMITH, STUART and CHURCH. They found the kidneys and liver in an apparently sound and healthy condition, and on a superficial examination of the stomachs and their contents, the presence of poisonous drugs was not detected. Prof. DORREMUS subsequently removed the stomachs for analysis.

Coroner GAMBLE having impannelled a jury on Sunday, endeavored to elicit evidence, but as the *post-mortem* examination had not succeeded in affording any light as to the probable or possible cause of death, the inquest was declared adjourned until Monday evening at 6 o'clock, in order to afford Prof. DORREMUS sufficient time to make a searching analysis of the stomachs and intestines.

The Coroner informed our reporter that he had visited the mother, Mrs. SHOTZ, at Bellevue Hospital, during the day, finding something except his vessel. Mr. WASHBURNE, of Illinois, said this was a bill in effect asking the people to pay the expense which the Company itself incurred.

Mr. BROOKS, of New-York, said this was not a corporation. The enterprise was a great act of civilization, and the American continent to the Old World. It was the only means of reaching the people favorable to the United States. It was indispensably necessary, situated as we are with France and England, to unite ourselves with our only national friend—Russia.

Mr. BANKS repeated that this was not a private telegraph. The whole world was interested in it. If the Navy Department had no interest in it, the people of the United States have. This line would place us in communication with six hundred millions of people in Russia and China—the only national friends we have. It dwarfed, in the future, the European Powers hostile to us. Therefore every member ought to vote for the measure now before the House.

The joint resolution was passed.

THE RINDERPEST.

Mr. JAMES M. HUMPHREY, from the Committee on Commerce, reported a bill, which was passed, to prevent the spread of foreign disease among the cattle of the United States, so as to read that "the importation of neat cattle and hides is hereby prohibited, provided that the operation of this act, or any part thereof, shall be suspended as to any foreign country, or part of a foreign country, whenever the Secretary of the Treasury shall officially determine, and give notice thereof, that such importation will not lead to the introduction and spread of infectious diseases among cattle of the United States." It is made the duty of the Secretary to make all necessary rules and regulations to carry this law into effect, and to send copies thereof to the proper officers of the United States and agents in foreign countries as he shall judge necessary. The President, whenever in his judgment the importation of the cattle will not be injurious may, by proclamation, declare the provisions of this act inoperative and the same inoperative and of no effect, from and after thirty days after the issue of the proclamation.

Persons offending against this law are, on conviction, subject to a fine of $500, or imprisonment for one year, or both, at the discretion of the Court.

The bill was passed.

THE INDIANA CONTESTED ELECTION CASE.

Mr. DAWES, from the Committee on Elections, reported a resolution declaring that Mr. VOORHEES is not, but that Mr. WASHBURNE is, entitled to the seat that is now held by the former.

A MEXICAN LOAN.

Mr. SCHENCK, of Ohio, offered a resolution calling upon the President to inform the House, at as early a day as practicable, if in his opinion not incompatible with the public interest, whether there is any correspondence or other information on file in the State Department, having relation to any steps taken by the Republican Government of Mexico, directing the negotiation of a loan in the United States for the purpose of procuring means to enable that Republic to maintain its independence.

Mr. RADFORD, of New-York, objected to the introduction of the resolution.

THE PENNSYLVANIA CONTESTED ELECTION CASE.

The House resumed the consideration of the Pennsylvania contested election case, between ALEXANDER COFFROTH and WILLIAM H. KOONTZ. The House voted on the resolutions of the minority of the Committee, giving Mr. KOONTZ the seat and allowing Mr. COFFROTH to contest it. It was disagreed to by 86 against 82 votes.

The resolution of the majority, giving the seat to Mr. COFFROTH and allowing Mr. KOONTZ to contest it, was then adopted.

Mr. COFFROTH was then sworn in.

The House adjourned.

NEW-MEXICO.

Project of a State Organization—New-Mexico Knocking at the Door.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Monday, Feb. 19.

The *Journal of Commerce* has published a letter from Secretary AMOY, dated Santa Fé, Feb. 3, which says the Legislature of New-Mexico has just adjourned. A large number of laws were passed during the session. The Free Negro Law was repealed and the Peon Law amended so as to make servitude under it voluntary. A convention has been ordered to frame a State Constitution, the election of delegates to which is to be held the first Monday in April next. The Constitution is to be submitted to the people immediately after being framed. Only two members of the Legislature voted against the State organization.

The Fenian Folly.

PITTSBURGH, Penn., Monday, Feb. 19.

There is a large number of delegates to the Fenian "Congress"—probably four hundred in attendance, and more coming. Col. MURPHY, Speaker of the House of Representatives, called the "Congress" to order. R. T. RAMSFORD was elected Secretary *pro tem*. The Committee on Credentials, one from each State, were appointed, when the "Congress" adjourned until called together by the Chairman of the Credential Committee. There will be a grand procession to-night, with speeches by Gen. SWEENEY and others.

A Billiard Tournament.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Saturday, Feb. 17.

At the billiard tournament last night in the game of 1,500 points between FOSTER and CHOATE, FOSTER was the victor, winning by 449 points, making runs of 205 and 285. FOSTER'S runs averaged 100 points.

In the second game of 1,000 points between KAVANAGH and MYERS, KAVANAGH was the winner. KAVANAGH gave MYERS 250 points, and won the game by 24 points.

The tournament will continue several days longer.

Vessels Arriving at Boston.

BOSTON, Monday, Feb. 19.

Within the last forty-eight hours, a large fleet of vessels has arrived here, bringing valuable cargoes from the East and West Indies, California, the Mediterranean, and southern coastwise ports. Besides large quantities of sugar, molasses and coffee, some 12,000 bales of cotton have been received since Saturday.

Sunday-School Teachers' Association.

The regular monthly meeting of the New-York Association of Sunday-School Teachers was held in the Madison-avenue Baptist Church, last evening, RALPH WELLS, Esq., in the chair.

The meeting was set apart for prayer in behalf of fellow-teachers, coworkers, and scholars in the Sabbath-schools connected with the various churches; that the presence of the Holy Spirit might be made manifest in the schools; that the labors of the teachers might be blessed to that end; and that their faith might be strengthened in the work which they had to do.

Mr. WELLS, the Chairman, in opening the meeting, read the first chapter of Joshua, and urged upon his hearers the importance of the promise of God to Joshua, "As I was with Moses so I will be with thee; I will not fail thee, nor forsake thee."

Delegates from various Sundays-chools reported the spiritual condition of their schools, and others led in prayer in accordance with the object of the meeting.

Mr. WILLIAM R. DODGE, Jr., in addition to his statement regarding his school, presented the claims of the Young Men's Christian Association, which was now doing a great work among the young men of the City.

Mr. PULLEN, one of the agents of the Sunday-school Union, located at Janesville, Wisconsin, related several encouraging incidents which had come under his observation in connection with his mission. He said he had just come from Richmond, Va., where a large Sabbath-school of five or six hundred colored children had been established. The teachers of these colored children were despised as if they were dirt, and among the people generally, he was sorry to say, then was the bitterest spirit of hatred of the North. The last Sabbath he was there he heard Rev. Dr. BURROUGHS preach a sermon from the text: "Cursed be Canaan; a servant of servants shall he be unto his brethren." In the course of which he took occasion to urge upon his hearers the doctrine that Slavery was the best condition for the negro; that it was the only means by which God had ordained to civilize him and bring him to God and righteousness. In the churches there was no particular manifestation of spiritual warmth. There was no union of teachers, each of the denominations working alone in their own immediate sphere.

Rev. Dr. WESTON made a brief address, in which he urged upon the meeting belief in God as a source of strength and encouragement.

The meeting, which was well attended considering the inclement state of the weather, was then concluded, Rev. Dr. WESTON pronouncing the benediction.

THE TRIPLE INFANTICIDE.

Commencement of the Investigation before the Coroner—Post-Mortem Examination—The Mother Slowly Recovering.

The mystery attending the deaths of the three young children who were found dead in a shanty last Saturday evening by their father on his return from work, and who are supposed to have been murdered by their mother, ANASTINA SHOTZ, who was at the time of the discovery laboring under the effects of some unknown poison, still continues a profound and perplexing enigma.

Yesterday a *post-mortem* examination of the bodies of the three children was made by Dr. SHAW, Deputy Coroner, assisted by Drs. LITTLE, SMITH, STUART and CHURCH. They found the kidneys and liver in an apparently sound and healthy condition, and on a superficial examination of the stomachs and their contents, the presence of poisonous drugs was not detected. Prof. DORREMUS subsequently removed the stomachs for analysis.

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City Mortality.

The City Inspector's Report shows that 417 deaths occurred in this City during the past week—103 men, 85 women, 119 boys and 110 girls—being an increase of 28 as compared with the previous week, and a decrease of 80 as compared with the corresponding period of 1865. The mortality by the principal diseases was as follows:

FROM ACUTE DISEASE.			
Apoplexy	7	Fever, typhus	13
Bleeding	2	Whooping cough	2
Breeding from lungs	1	Inflammation, bowels	11
Bronchitis	16	Inflammation, brain	14
Cholera morbus	1	Inflammation, lungs	36
Convulsions, infantile	33	Inflammation, stomach	3
Convulsions, puerperal	1	Inflammation, veins	1
Croup	9	Inflammation, womb	1
Diarrhœa	7	Measles	4
Diphtheritis	14	Pleurisy	1
Dysentery	2	Rheumatism	1
Epilepsy	5	Small-pox	4
Erysipelas	5	Teething	2
Fever, puerperal	1		
Fever, scarlet	17	Total	222
Fever, typhoid	5		

FROM CHRONIC DISEASE.			
Abscess	1	Heart, disease of	3
Albuminuria and Bright's Disease of Kidneys

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES
PURCHASED AND FOR SALE.
All kinds on hand, ready for instant delivery, at the lowest market prices.
DEPOSITS IN CURRENCY AND GOLD RECEIVED.
Accounts of banks, bankers and individuals solicited.
FOUR PER CENT. INTEREST ALLOWED ON ALL DAILY BALANCES
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Collections made promptly on all points.
Orders for stocks, bonds and gold executed on commission.
Gold for payment of duties for sale in sums to suit.

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AND ALL CLASSES OF
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Interest at the rate of
SEVEN PER CENT. PER ANNUM,
PAYABLE IN GOLD,
Payable semi-annually,
Guaranteed and paid by the
STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

The bonds are secured by a mortgage on 100 miles of road, from Sacramento to the California State line, forming part of the GREAT PACIFIC RAILROAD ROUTE, ADOPTED and AIDED by the UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT. They are further secured by a SINKING FUND of $50,000 PER ANNUM, reserved from the earnings of the road, and APPROPRIATED FOR THEIR REDEMPTION. They are a first-class security in every respect, and a limited amount will be offered upon terms which render it a DESIRABLE INVESTMENT. For further particulars inquire at our office, No. 5 Nassau-st.
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BOOKSTAVER, THAYER & SLOSSON,
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NO. 71 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK,

Give particular attention to the purchase and sale on commission of all kinds of GOLD, SILVER, FOREIGN BANK, INSURANCE, CITY RAILROAD AND MANUFACTURING STOCKS; CITY, COUNTY, STATE, NATIONAL and other BONDS. Gold and Silver bought and sold. Coupons cashed.
REFERENCE.
AMERICAN EXCHANGE NATIONAL BANK, New-York.

UNITED STATES MILITARY RAILROADS.

OFFICE OF ASSISTANT QUARTERMASTER, } WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 1, 1866.
AUCTION SALE OF LOCOMOTIVES.
Will be sold at public auction, at Danville, Va., on THURSDAY, the 8th day of March,
Five (5) second-hand locomotive engines, 4 feet 8½ inches gauge;
cylinders 15x22, and weighing about 20 tons each.
Two (2) box freight cars, 4 feet 8½ inches gauge.
Sale to commence at 12 M.
Terms—cash in government funds.
H. L. ROBINSON,
Brevet Brig.-Gen., A. Q. M.

TENTH NATIONAL BANK,
NO. 280 BROADWAY,
DESIGNATED DEPOSITORY OF THE GOVERNMENT.

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GOVERNMENT BONDS, RAILROAD STOCKS, &c., Bought and sold on Commission.
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NO. 56 WALL-ST.,
ISSUE COMMERCIAL CREDITS AND TRAVELERS' CREDITS FOR USE IN THE COUNTRY AND ABROAD

JOHN MUNROE & CO.,
AMERICAN BANKERS,
No. 3 Rue de la Paix, Paris,
AND
No. 8 Wall-st., New-York,
issue circular letter of credit for travelers in all parts of Europe, &c. Also, commercial credits.

OFFICE OF THE CHICAGO AND NORTH WESTERN RAILWAY COMPANY,
NO. 8 WALL-ST.

Offers will be received until the 1st day of March proximo for $350,000 of the Consolidated Sinking Fund Convertible Mortgage Bonds of this company. These bonds are a portion of the $2,000,000 issued for the purpose of providing additional rolling stock required to accommodate the growing business of the company, and for the construction of the Missouri River bridge now in course of construction to Omaha, on the Missouri; and the mortgage provides for a further issue of $500,000 more of said bonds (or so much thereof hereafter, for the same purpose, if such issue shall be found necessary.
The bonds bear date Jan. 16, 1863, carry seven per cent. interest, payable quarterly in New-York; have fifty years to run, and are secured by a Deed of Trust to Samuel J. Tilden, Esq., upon all the company's lines of road and equipment in the States of Illinois and Wisconsin, amounting to about 190 miles of road, more than 100 miles of which are subject to no other mortgage. This mortgage, together with all other liens, amount in the aggregate to only $20,000 per mile upon said roads.
Provision is also made in the mortgage for the absorption, at the discretion of the Board of Directors, of all prior liens into this class of bonds, in the expectation that eventually all the other bonds of the company will be exchanged for these, leaving this one as of bonds the only mortgage lien upon the company's entire lines of road.
These bonds are convertible into the preferred stock of the company, at the option of the holder, any time prior to Jan. 1, 1870. For further particulars inquire at the company's office.
By order of the Board of Directors.
H. H. BOODY, Agent.
NEW-YORK, Feb. 14, 1866.

FOR SALE.

First Mortgage 10 Per Cent. Sacramento Valley Railroad Bonds, payable in gold coin.
First Mortgage 8 Per Cent. Freeport Railroad Bonds, payable in gold coin.
First Mortgage 10 Per Cent. Placerville and Sacramento Bonds, payable in currency.
County Bonds 10 Per Cent. of Eldorado County, payable in gold.
City Bonds 10 Per Cent. of Placerville, payable in gold.
All in the State of California.
Apply to
GEORGE T. M. DAVIS,
No. 47 Exchange-place.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT,
OFFICE OF COMPTROLLER OF THE CURRENCY, } WASHINGTON, Dec. 23, 1865.
WHEREAS, BY SATISFACTORY EVIDENCE presented to the undersigned, it has been made to appear that the Metropolitan National Bank, in the City of New-York, in the County of New-York and State of New-York, has been duly organized under and according to the requirements of the act of Congress entitled an Act to provide a national currency, secured by a pledge of United States bonds, and to provide for the circulation and redemption thereof, approved June 3, 1864, and has complied with all the provisions of said act required to be complied with before commencing business under said act.
Now, therefore, I, FREEMAN CLARKE, Comptroller of the Currency, do hereby certify that the Mechanics' and Traders' National Bank of the City of New-York, in the City of New-York, in the County of New-York and State of New-York, is authorized to commence the business of banking, under the act aforesaid.
In testimony whereof, witness my hand and seal of office, this 23d day of December, A. D. 1865.
[SEAL.]
FREEMAN CLARK,
No. 1,624. Comptroller.

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Agent for the sale of landed estates, plantations, tobacco and cotton lands in Virginia, Tennessee, North and South Carolina, Georgia, &c., now offers properties of great value, many of which contain rich coal, iron, lead, plumbago, and coal mines, water power and mineral springs. The fullest information with regard to the above may be obtained through this office.
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Messrs. M. Jesup & Co.
Messrs. Phelps, Dodge & Co. Messrs. Batteries & Co.
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NATIONAL EXPRESS and TRANSPORTATION CO.,
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OFFICE OF THE CLYDE COAL AND MINING CO., } No. 141 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK, Feb. 14, 1866.
THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE STOCKHOLDERS of the Clyde Coal and Mining Company, for the election of Directors, will be held at the office of the Company, in New-York, on the 22d day of February, 1866, at 11 o'clock A. M.
THOMAS H. CANFIELD, Secretary.

OFFICE OF DEKALB PETROLEUM CO., } No. 30 BROAD-ST., ROOM No. 1, NEW-YORK, February 15, 1866.
THE ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS and election for Trustees of this Company for the ensuing year will be held at the office of the company on MONDAY, the 26th February, 1866. Polls open from 12 to 1 o'clock. Transfer books will close on the 22d inst.
SAMUEL W. BOOCOCK, Secretary.

NOTICE.—THE ANNUAL MEETING OF the stockholders of the Quicksilver Mining Company will be held at the Continental Hotel in the City of Philadelphia, on WEDNESDAY, the 28th day of February, 1866, at 1 o'clock P. M.
J. B. HANDY, Sec.

COMMISSIONER FOR MASSACHUSETTS and other States.—No. 5 Beekman-st., Room No. 4, first floor over Park Bank.

LAND WARRANTS AND COLLEGE LAND SCRIP purchased and for sale by C. A. G. WOODMAN, No. 60 Wall-st.

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VERMILYE & CO.,

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KEEP CONSTANTLY ON HAND FOR
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ALL ISSUES OF
UNITED STATES STOCKS,
INCLUDING
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6 PER CENT. 5-20 BONDS OF 1853.
6 PER CENT. 5-20 BONDS OF 1864.
6 PER CENT. 5-20 BONDS OF 1865.
5 PER CENT. 10-40 BONDS.
7 3-10 PER CENT. TREASURY NOTES, 1ST, 2D AND 3D SERIES.
6 PER CENT. CURRENCY CERTIFICATES.

ORDERS from BANKS and BANKERS, for the PURCHASE and SALE of Government Stocks executed ON FAVORABLE TERMS and with DISPATCH.
Also for all securities dealt in at the Stock Exchange.
COMPOUND INTEREST NOTES OF 1864 BOUGHT and SOLD.
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We issue sight drafts on the above, in sums to suit.

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WM. C. GILMAN, No. 46 Pine-st.,
offers the following dividend-paying Insurance Scrip for investment:
$5,000 Sun Mutual Scrip.
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$2,000 Great Western Scrip.

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Detroit City Bonds.
Detroit and Milwaukee Railroad Bonds.
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Land Warrants and College Land Scrip bought and sold by
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NO. 2 WALL-ST.
$500,000 New-York State 7 per cent. stock for sale in sums to suit.
W. G. WHITE, Cash.

EAST RIVER NATIONAL BANK.—REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE EAST RIVER NATIONAL BANK, in the City and State of New-York, on the morning of the first Monday of January, 1866.

RESOURCES.		
Notes and bills discounted		$413,010 66
Suspended debt		
Indebtedness of Directors	49,071 00	$462,081 66
Overdrafts		346 00
Banking-house	50,000 00	
Other real estate		
Furniture and fixtures	1,200 00	51,200 00
Current expenses		
Taxes paid		
Premiums		
Remittances and other cash items		149 140 10
Due from the following National Banks (Schedule A.)		23,636 29
Due from other banks and bankers, as follows: Buffalo City Bank	25 00	25 00
U. S. Bonds deposited with U. S. Treasurer to secure circulating notes		225,000 00
U. S. Bonds deposited with U. S. Treasurer to secure deposits, $10,000 bonds, $65,000 7.30 notes		75,000 00
U. S. Bonds on hand		
Other U. S. Securities		
Cash on hand in circulating notes of other National Banks	12,178 00	
Cash on hand in circulating notes of State Banks	1,235 00	13,413 00
Specie		14,927 00
Other lawful money, viz:		
Legal tender notes	108,973 00	
Compound interest notes	135,500 00	244,473 00
New-York State Stock at Bank Department		41,500 00
Total		$1,300,914 15

LIABILITIES.	
Capital Stock paid in	$350,000 00
Surplus Fund	1,400 00
Circulating Notes received from Comptroller	199,500 00
Loans amount on hand	
Amount unclaimed dividends	199,500 00
Individual deposits	652,858 30
United States deposits	38,125 45
Dividends unpaid	15,287 04
Due the following National Banks:	
Due other banks and bankers	34,043 00
State Bank circulation outstanding	
Discount	
Exchanges	
Interest	
Profit and loss	9,732 36
Total	$1,300,914 15

I, W. S. CARMAN, Cashier of the East River National Bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true, to the best of my knowledge and belief.
W. S. CARMAN.
State of New-York, City and County of New-York:
Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 3d day of January, 1866.
JOHN VAN ORDEN
[5c. stamp.] Notary Public.

OFFICE OF THE ATLANTIC MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY, NEW-YORK, Jan. 27, 1866.
THE TRUSTEES, IN CONFORMITY TO the charter of the company, submit the following statement of its affairs on the 31st December, 1865:
Premiums received on marine risks, from 1st January, 1865, to 31st December, 1865 $6,933,146 80
Premiums on policies not marked off 1st January, 1865 2,019,324 75
Total amount of Marine Premiums $8,952,471 53
No policies have been issued upon life risks nor upon fire risks disconnected with marine risks.
Premiums marked off from 1st January, 1865, to 31st December, 1865 $6,764,146 38
Losses paid during the same period $3,659,178 45
Returns of premiums and expenses 2,992,341 44
The Company has the following assets, viz.:
United States and State of New-York Stock, City, Bank, and other stocks $4,838,338 00
Loans secured by stocks and otherwise 3,330,350 00
Real estate and bonds and mortgages 221,260 00
Dividends on stocks, interest on bonds and mortgages, and loans, sundry notes, reinsurance and other claims due the company, estimated at 144,964 43
Premium notes and bills receivable 3,382,802 00
Cash in the bank 80,422 00
Cash in bank, United States Treasury Note Currency 310,551 78
Total amount of assets $12,199,975 17
Six per cent. on the outstanding certificates of profits will be paid to the holders thereof, or their legal representatives, on and after Tuesday, the 6th of February next.
Fifty per cent. of the outstanding certificates of the issue of 1854, will be redeemed and paid to the holders thereof, or their legal representatives, on and after Tuesday, the 6th February next, from which date interest on the amount, so redeemable, will cease. The certificates to be produced at the time of payment and canceled to the extent paid.
A dividend of 35 per cent. is declared on the net earned premiums of the company, for the year ending 31st December, 1865, for which certificates will be issued on and after Tuesday, the 3d of April next.
By order of the board.
H. CHAPMAN, Secretary.

TRUSTEES.

JOHN D. JONES, WM. STURGIS,
CHARLES DENNIS, HENRY K. BOGERT,
W. H. MOORE, JOSHUA J. HENRY,
HENRY COIT, DENNIS PERKINS,
WM. C. PICKERSGILL, JOSEPH GAILLARD, JR.,
LEWIS CURTIS, J. HENRY BURGY,
CHARLES H. RUSSELL, CORNELIUS GRINNELL,
LOWELL HOLBROOK, C. A. HAND,
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DAVID LANE, JAMES LOW,
JAMES BRICE, GEO. S. STEPHENSON,
LEROY M. WILEY, WILLIAM H. WEBB.
DANIEL S. MILLER.

JOHN D. JONES, President.
CHARLES DENNIS, Vice-President.
WM. H. MOORE, Second Vice-President.
J. D. HEWLETT, Third Vice-President.

THE CHICAGO AND GREAT EASTERN RAILWAY COMPANY offer for sale $1,250,000 of their First Mortgage Sinking Fund, convertible bonds, due April 1, 1895, bearing seven per cent. interest, payable in the City of New-York on the first days of April and October in each year, being the entire balance of the bonds which the Company is authorized to sell under the provisions of a mortgage to George Ticknor and Samuel D. Fish, Trustees for $3,500,000, covering the whole line of the Company's road, from Chicago, Ill., to Richmond, Ind., 224 miles, with the franchises, equipment and appurtenances, and all other present and future acquired property.
The proceeds of these bonds now offered will extinguish the whole existing floating debt of the Company, and provide for the purchase of a large amount of additional rolling stock.
For copy of mortgage and further particulars, apply at the office of the Company, No. 37 William-st., New-York, where subscriptions for the bonds will be received.
Dated NEW-YORK, Feb. 13, 1866.
CLEVELAND, COLUMBUS AND CINCINNATI R. R. Co., } CLEVELAND, O., Feb. 1, 1866.
THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE Stockholders of this Company for the election of Directors and for the transaction of other business will be held at the office of the Company in Cleveland, Ohio, on WEDNESDAY, Feb. 21, 1866. The transfer books will be closed from Feb. 10 until Feb. 22.
GEO. H. RUSSELL, Secretary.

ALL HOLDERS OF THE BONDS OF THE WILMINGTON AND MANCHESTER RAILROAD COMPANY, of South Carolina, are respectfully requested to make themselves known as soon as possible, to the undersigned, or M. K. JESUP & CO., agents of the company, New-York, giving class and numbers of bonds held by them respectively, that the company may confer with them on matters relating to their interest.
HENRY M. DRANE,
President Wilmington and Manchester Railroad Company, Wilmington, N. C.

SAVINGS BANKS.

METROPOLITAN SAVINGS BANK
HAS REMOVED TO NO. 10 COOPER INSTITUTE, 3d-av., during the erection of their new Banking-house. Bank open from 10 to 3 P. M. on MONDAYS, WEDNESDAYS and SATURDAYS from 8 to 7 P. M.
SIX PER CENT. INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS.
W. J. HARNES, Sec. ISAAC T. SMITH, Pres't.

SIX PER CENT. INTEREST PAID.
Free from government tax.
THIRD-AVENUE SAVINGS BANK,
Corner of Twenty-sixth-street and Third-avenue.

BROADWAY SAVINGS INSTITUTION.
Chartered 1851.
No. 237 Broadway, entrance on Park-place.
Open daily, from 10 to 3 o'clock.
FRANCIS P. SCHOALS, President.
WADE B. WORRALL, Sec'y. PETER CUMMING, Acc't.

UNION DIME SAVINGS BANK,
CANAL-ST., CORNER OF VARICK-ST.
Interest, SIX PER CENT. free of tax.

ARTIFICIAL EYES.

ARTIFICIAL EYES.—ARTIFICIAL HUMAN Eyes made to order and inserted by Drs. F. BAUCH & P. COUILLMANN, formerly employed by Rorrenteer, at Paris, No. 25 Broadway, New-York.

DIVIDENDS.

OFFICE OF CENTRAL PETROLEUM COMPANY, } No. 8 PINE-ST., NEW-YORK, Feb. 5, 1866.
THE DIRECTORS OF THE CENTRAL PETROLEUM COMPANY have this day declared a dividend for the month of January of ONE PER CENT. upon the capital stock of the company, payable on the 20th inst.
Transfer books will be closed from the 15th to the 20th inst., both days inclusive.
AUSTIN STEVENS,
Secretary.

STUYVESANT INSURANCE COMPANY.
TWENTY-THIRD DIVIDEND.
A dividend of Four per Cent., free of Government tax, has been declared, payable on and after the 20th of February, at No. 122 Bowery.
WM. F. LEGGETT, Secretary.
Feb. 8, 1866.

TWENTY-NINTH DIVIDEND.
WASHINGTON INSURANCE COMPANY, } No. 172 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK, Feb. 2, 1866.
A DIVIDEND of SIX PER CENT. is THIS DAY declared, payable on demand, in cash, to stockholders.
Also, an INTEREST DIVIDEND of SIX (6) PER CENT. on outstanding scrip, payable 15th March, in cash.
Also, a SCRIP DIVIDEND of TWENTY PER CENT. on the Earned Premiums of Policies entitled to participate in the profits for the year ending 31st January, 1866. The scrip will be ready for delivery on and after 15th March prox.
GEO. C. SATTERLEE, President.
HENRY PRESTON, Vice-President.
WM K. LOTHROP, Secretary.
WM. A. SCOTT, Assistant Secretary.

THE NEW-YORK CENTRAL RAILROAD CO., } TREASURER'S OFFICE, NEW-YORK, Jan. 27, 1866.
TWENTY-FIFTH SEMI-ANNUAL DIVIDEND.—The directors of this company have declared a Semi-annual Dividend of Three Per Cent. on the capital stock thereof, free of the United States Income Tax, payable on the 20th day of February next.
Dividends in New-York will be paid at the office of Duncan, Sherman & Co.; in Albany, at the Albany City Bank.
The transfer-books will be closed at the close of business on Wednesday, the 31st day of January inst., and reopened on the morning of Friday, the 23d day of February next.
E. D. WORCESTER,
Treasurer.

OFFICE OF THE BENNEHOFF RUN PETROLEUM CO., } No. 16 WALL-ST., NEW-YORK, Feb. 17, 1866.
THE TRUSTEES OF THE BENNEHOFF RUN PETROLEUM COMPANY have this day declared a regular monthly dividend of FIVE PER CENT. on the capital stock of the Company, payable on and after the 10th of March. The transfer books will be closed from the 3d to the 10th of March inclusive.
WILLIAM CLARKE, President.
J. MCMASTER, Secretary.

OFFICE OF THE STOUT COAL COMPANY, } ROOM NO. 44 TRINITY BUILDING, NEW-YORK, Feb. 7, 1866.
DIVIDEND.—THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS of this company have this day declared a dividend of five (5) per cent. on the capital stock, (out of the earnings of the last three months ending Jan. 31,) payable at the office of the company on and after March 1. Transfer books closed from 24th inst. to 2d proximo.
G. B. COMSTOCK, Treasurer.

OFFICE OF CHICAGO AND ALTON RAILROAD CO., } No. 24 BROAD-ST., BOSTON, Feb. 14, 1866.
DIVIDEND NOTICE.—THE DIRECTORS OF the Chicago and Alton Railroad Company have this day declared a Dividend of Five per Cent. cash on the preferred and common stock of the Company, payable on the 1st day of March, 1866, at the office of Messrs. K. JESUP & CO., No. 84 Broadway, New-York City. Transfer books will close on the 20th inst., and open on the 2d of March.
W. M. LARRABEE, Secretary.

OFFICE GREENWICH INSURANCE COMPANY, } NEW-YORK, Feb. 7, 1866.
DIVIDEND.—THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS have this day declared a Semi-annual Dividend of Five (5) Per Cent., free of government tax, and payable to the stockholders at their office, No. 152 Broadway, on and after the 13th inst. Transfer books closed until that date.
By order,
JAMES HARRISON, Sec'y.

OFFICE OF THE ESERVALE COAL COMPANY, } ROOM NO. 44, TRINITY BUILDING, NEW-YORK, Feb. 14, 1866.
THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS HAVE this day declared a dividend of six (6) per cent. on the capital stock, payable on demand at the office of the company.
LEE & DUT, Treasurers.

OFFICE OF THE SECURITY INSURANCE CO., } No. 119 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK, Feb. 12, 1866.
THE DIRECTORS HAVE THIS DAY declared the usual Semi-annual Interest Dividend of Three and One-half (3½) per Cent., free of government tax payable to stockholders on demand. By order.
RICHARD L. HADDOCK, Secretary.

SIXTY-FIRST DIVIDEND.—THE UNITED STATES FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY have this day declared a Semi-annual Dividend of Five (5) per cent., free of government tax, payable on demand, and carried Three (3) per cent. to surplus account, out of the earnings of the last six months.
SURPLUS, JAN. 1, 1866, $120,000.
NEW-YORK, Jan. 3, 1866.
W. W. UNDERHILL, Secretary.

DIVIDEND.—BLIVEN PETROLEUM COMPANY, No. 54 Cliff-st., New-York, Directors of this company have declared a dividend of three (3) per cent. on the Capital Stock, payable on and after Monday, Feb. 19, 1866. The transfer books will be closed from Feb. 16 to Feb. 19.
F. J. DOMINICK, Secretary.

PUBLIC NOTICES.

CORPORATION NOTICE.
Public notice is hereby given to the owner or owners, occupant or occupants of all houses and lots, improved or unimproved lands, affected thereby, that the following assessments have been completed, and are lodged in the office of the Board of Assessors, for examination by all persons interested, viz.:
1. For building a sewer in Bleecker-street, from Perry to Hammond-street.
2. For flagging sidewalks in Eighty-fifth-street, between Third and Fourth avenues.
3. For flagging sidewalks in Thirty-second-street, between Ninth and Tenth avenues.
4. For flagging sidewalks in Thirty-second-street, between First and Second avenues.
5. For building a sewer in Fifty-seventh-street, between First and Second avenues.
6. For regulating and grading, flagging sidewalks, and setting thorough gutter on Fifty-first-street, from Fourth to Fifth avenue.
7. For regulating, grading, setting curb and gutter, and flagging Eleventh-avenue, from Fifteenth to Twenty-sixth street.
8. For setting and resetting curb and gutter, and for flagging and relaying sidewalks on Fifty-second-street, from Fifth to Eighth avenue.
9. For building sewers in Hanover-square and Pearl-street, between Old-slip and Wall-street.
The limits assessed for the above-named include all the several houses and lots of ground, vacant lots, pieces and parcels of land, situated on
1. Both sides of Bleecker-street, from Perry to Hammond-street.
2. Also, all the lots on both sides of Eighty-fifth-street, between Third and Fourth avenues.
3. Also, all the lots on both sides of Thirty-seventh-street, between Ninth and Tenth avenues.
4. Also, all the lots on both sides of Thirty-second-street, between First and Second avenues.
5. Also, all the lots on south side of Fifty-eighth-street, and both sides of Fifty-seventh-street, between First and Second avenues, and all the lots on east side of First-avenue, from south side of Fifty-eighth-street to one-half the block between Fifty-seventh and Fifty-sixth-streets.
6. Also, all the lots on both sides of Fifty-first-street, from Fourth to Fifth avenues.
7. Also, all the lots on both sides of Eleventh-avenue, from Fifteenth to Twenty-seventh streets, and all the lots between Sixteenth and Twenty-seventh streets and Eleventh and Thirteenth avenues, and all the lots between Fifteenth and Twenty-seventh streets, and one-half the block east of Eleventh-avenue.
8. Also, all the lots on both sides of Fifty-second-street, from Fifth to Seventh avenues.
9. All the lots included between Wall, Beaver and William streets, Old-slip and Water-street, and all the lots on both sides of Pearl-street and Hanover-square, from Wall-street to Old-slip.
All persons whose interests are affected by the above-named assessments, and who are opposed to the same, or either of them, are requested to present their objections in writing to the undersigned, at their office, No. 32 Chambers-street, basement new Court-house, within thirty days from the date of this notice.
JACOB L. OAKLEY,
DANIEL C. HOOVER,
ISAAC O. HUNT,
Board of Assessors.
OFFICE BOARD OF ASSESSORS, }
NEW COURT-HOUSE, Feb. 13, 1866.

LEGAL NOTICES.

SUPREME COURT.—MANUEL LOPEZ, plaintiff, against MIGUEL ARROYO, defendant.—Summons for relief—Complaint not served.—To the defendant: You are hereby summoned and required to answer the complaint in this action, which will be filed in the office of the Clerk of the City and County of New-York, at the City Hall in said City, and to serve a copy of your answer to the said complaint on the subscribers, at their office, No. 170 Broadway, in said city, within twenty days after the service of this summons upon you, exclusive of the day of such service; and if you fail to answer the said complaint within the time aforesaid, the plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in the complaint.
MARSH, COE & WALLIS, Pl'ffs Att'ys,
No. 170 Broadway.
DATED FEB. 8, 1866.
The complaint in this action was filed with the Clerk of the City and County of New-York, on the 12th day of February, 1866.
MARSH, COE & WALLIS,
Plaintiff's Attorneys.
(U. S. Int. Rev. Stamp, 50c. cancelled.)
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NEW-YORK COMMON PLEAS.—HIRAM AUDLEY against EDWARD NEWEN.—Pursuant to an order of the Court entered in this action, I, the subscriber, receiver of the property and effects of "Studley's Express Company," will sell at public auction, on FRIDAY, the twenty-third day of February, instant, at the stables, numbers twenty-five and twenty-seven East twenty-eighth-street, in the City of New-York, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, the James M. Miller, auctioneer, nineteen horses, ten wagons, two large transfer coaches, fourteen sets of harness, wagon tops and covers, &c., two iron safes, desks, stools, tables, and office furniture, which sale will be entirely for cash. The horses, &c., may be seen at the stables.
Dated, NEW-YORK, Feb. 15, 1866.
NATHANIEL JARVIS, Jr., Receiver.

IN PURSUANCE OF AN ORDER OF ROSWELL C. RAINARD, Esq., Surrogate of the County of Kings, notice is hereby given, according to law, to all persons having claims against GERARD C. LESTER, a te of the City of Brooklyn, deceased, that they are required to exhibit the same, with the proper vouchers, to the subscriber at his office, No. 49 West-st., in the City of New-York, on or before the twentieth day of May next. Dated Nov. 13, 1865.
fri-lawGmTu* JOSEPH H. LESTER, Administrator.

COAL.

COAL.—NEW OFFICE NO. 5 CLINTON HALL, 8th-st., near Broadway, for the sale of the best qualities of coal at lowest prices; 2,000 pounds to the ton.

DENTISTRY.

COLTON DENTAL ASSOCIATION.—"TO Dr. COLTON is due the credit of reviving the use of this important agent (Nitrous Oxide) in the practice of dentistry."—*Letter from Dr. Carnochan.* That we administer the gas in the most safe and efficient manner, 9,000 patients and the Medical profession of New-York will testify. Offices No. 19 and 30 Cooper Institute.

DRS. GRIFFIN, NO. 258 GRAND-ST., opposite Lord & Taylor's, New-York, are inserting FULL or PARTIAL SETS of their IMPROVED ARTIFICIAL TEETH, with or without extracting the roots. Full sets on gold or platina, $25; silver or rubber, $10; partial sets gold, per tooth, $2; silver or rubber, $1.

105.—DR. J. A. KELLEY, DENTIST, NO. 105 East 16th-st., between Broadway and University-place. Operations carefully and skilfully performed. All work satisfactory or no pay. The very worst of teeth saved.

AUCTION SALES.

SALE OF CONDEMNED ORDNANCE STORES.—Will be sold, at public auction, at Indianapolis Arsenal, Indianapolis, Indiana, on the 20th day of February, 1866, at 10 o'clock A. M., a large quantity of ordnance stores of inferior quality, consisting in part of the following articles, viz.:
974 carbines, various kinds.
36,000 muskets and rifles, new and old, United States and foreign, of various calibres.
[illegible] Starr's army revolvers, serviceable.
[illegible] Savage's navy revolvers, new, and others, with a large lot of spare parts for the repair of small arms of various patterns.
430 cavalry sabre belts, worn.
724 cavalry saddles, worn.
1,060 cavalry bridles, worn.
288 belt holsters for pistols, worn.
200 cartridge boxes for pistols, worn.
1,153 cartridge boxes for carbines, worn.
300 slings for carbines, worn.
153 sets of artillery harness, worn.
47,000 sets of infantry accoutrements, worn.
Also a large lot of appendages for the various kinds of muskets and rifles.
Samples to be seen at the Indianapolis Arsenal and at the United States Ordnance Agency, No. 42 Worth-st., New-York City.
Terms of sale, cash.
JAS. M. WHITTEMORE,
Captain and Brevet Major Ord. Commanding.

EXTENSIVE SALE OF GOVERNMENT CLOTHING AND EQUIPAGE.
CHIEF QUARTERMASTER'S OFFICE, } PHILADELPHIA DEPOT, Feb. 10, 1866.
Will be sold at public auction, at the Schuylkill Arsenal, Philadelphia, on WEDNESDAY, the 21st inst., at 10 o'clock A. M., a great variety of new and worn supplies, comprising:

Axes,	Jackets,
Boots,	Kaapsacks,
Bootees,	Knives,
Buttons,	Leggins,
Coats,	Mittens,
Coat Straps,	Mess Pans,
Camp Colors and Cases,	Numeors,
Caps,	Pillow Cases,
Cap Covers and Capes,	Pompoms,
Canteens,	Shirts,
Drawers,	Stockings,
Epaulets,	Socks,
Flags,	Spades,
Gaiters, Leather and Canvas,	Shovels,
Hatchets and Handles,	Sweat Leathers,
Haversacks,	Silk—blue and scarlet.
Hat Ornaments,	Tents—about 5,000 cotton and linen,
Iron Bedsteads,	Tent Flies,
Iron Pots,	Talmas.

Together with many other articles not enumerated in this advertisement.
Many of the articles are new and in excellent condition. Catalogues stating quantities, and describing the property, can be obtained at the office.
Samples can be seen two days previous to the sale, upon application to the Military Storekeeper at the Arsenal.
Terms—Cash, in Government funds.
WILLIAM W. McKIM,
Colonel and Chief Quartermaster, Philadelphia Depot.

C. W. BOTELER, Jr., Auctioneer.
SALE OF NEW HOSPITAL CLOTHING, BEDDING, &c.
MEDICAL PURVEYOR'S OFFICE, } WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 12, 1866.
An extensive sale of Hospital Clothing, Bedding, &c., entirely new and in the original boxes and bales, will be held in this city, at the Judiciary-square Warehouses, Fifth and E sts., back of City Hall, on THURSDAY, the 8th day of March next, at 10 o'clock A. M. The following articles will be offered for sale, viz.:

Shirts	40,000
Drawers	20,000
Socks, pairs	20,000
Slippers, pairs	30,000
Gowns	20,000
Bed-sacks	20,000
Pillow-ticks	10,000
Pillows, Hair	4,000
Towels, Hand	10,000

The attention of the trade and the public at large is called to this sale, as the goods will be sold in lots to suit both large and small purchasers. Quantities as small as one dozen will be sold. Goods will be delivered to purchasers within five (5) days from termination of sale.
Terms—Cash, in Government funds.
C. H. SUTHERLAND,
Surgeon and Purveyor U. S. A.

MORRIS WILKINS, Auctioneer.
FIFTH-AVENUE PROPERTY FOR SALE.
The property to be sold is the most valuable and desirable ever offered at public sale. It consists of the lots on 58th-av. between 49th and 50th sts. Also, for sale at public auction, lots between 73d and 4th avs., and 72d and 76th sts. The sale will take place at the Exchange Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway, on TUESDAY, Feb. 20, at 12 o'clock.
E. H. LUDLOW & CO.

MORRIS WILKINS, Auctioneer.
EXECUTORS' SALE OF STOCKS AND BONDS AT AUCTION.—E. H. LUD

SHIPPING.

STEAM TO LIVERPOOL.

The first-class new iron-screw steamship
DELAWARE,
1,200 tons, Capt. THOMPSON,
will be dispatched for the above port from Pier No. 46 East River, on THURSDAY, Feb. 22.

Rates of passage: Cabin, $100; steerage, $30. Payable in currency.

Return certificates from Liverpool or Queenstown issued at the lowest rates.

For passage apply to
TAPSCOTT, BROS. & CO., No. 86 South-st.

NATIONAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO.
(Limited.)
Calling at Queenstown to land passengers.
NEW-YORK TO LIVERPOOL.

Ships.	Tons.	Commanders
QUEEN	3,412	Grogan.
ERIN	3,310	Cutting.
PENNSYLVANIA	2,872	Lewis.
LOUISIANA	3,136	Thomson.
ENGLAND	3,458	Grace.
SCOTLAND	3,605	Hall.
VIRGINIA	2,878	Crowne.
HELVETIA	3,315	Ogilvie.

Leaving Pier No. 47, North River, as follows:
SCOTLAND.....SATURDAY, Feb. 24
ENGLAND.....SATURDAY, March 3
AND EVERY SATURDAY THEREAFTER.

The size of these steamsh ps admits of very spacious state-rooms, all opening direct y into the saloon; the accommodations and fare are unsurpassed, and the rates lower than by any other line.

An experienced Surgeon on each ship free of charge.

Steerage passage tickets to bring parties from Liverpool or Queenstown, for $37 currency.

Cabin passage, $80; Steerage, $30—payable in currency.

The owners of these vessels will not be accountable for specie or valuables unless bills of lading, having their value expressed, are signed therefor.

For further information, apply to
JOSEPH J. COMSTOCK, Agent,
No. 7 Broadway, New-York.

THE NORTH AMERICAN LLOYD'S
Well-known first-class mail steamships, having been thoroughly refitted, with comfortable accommodations for passengers of all classes, will leave Pier No. 42 North River, for Bremen, calling at Cowes, on the following THURSDAYS:
ATLANTIC, 3,000 tons, 1,600-horse power, CHARLES HOYER, Commander, 22d February.
BALTIC, 3,000 tons, 1,600-horse power, 15th March.
ATLANTIC, C. HOYER, 12th April.
WESTERN METROPOLIS, 2,600 tons, 1,000-horse power, 26th April.
Prices of passage payable in gold.
First Cabin, $105; Second Cabin, $62 50; Steerage, $37 50.
An experienced surgeon on board.
The company will not be responsible for specie or valuables, unless bills of lading having the value expressed, are signed therefor.
For freight or passage apply to
RUGER BROS., General Agents, No. 45 Beaver-st.

THE NORTH AMERICAN LLOYD'S
steamship ATLANTIC, CHAS. HOYER, Commander, carrying the United States Mail, will sail from Pier No. 42 N. R., THURSDAY, 22d Feb., at 12 o'clock M., for Bremen, via Cowes, taking passengers to London, Havre, and Southampton, and Bremen. First cabin, $105; second cabin, $62 50; steerage, $37 50, payable in gold or its equivalent. For freight and passage apply to RUGER BROS., General Agents, No. 45 Beaver-st.

STEAM TO LIVERPOOL—CALLING AT Queenstown. The Inman Line, sailing semi-weekly, carrying the United States Mails.
CITY OF LIMERICK.....WEDNESDAY.....Feb. 21
CITY OF LONDON.....SATURDAY.....Feb. 24
CITY OF DUBLIN.....WEDNESDAY.....Feb. 28
CITY OF BALTIMORE.....SATURDAY.....March 3
and each succeeding SATURDAY and WEDNESDAY, at noon, from Pier No. 44 North River.
RATES OF PASSAGE.
BY THE MAIL STEAMER SAILING EVERY SATURDAY.
First Cabin.....$90 | Steerage.....$30
First Cabin to London.....95 | Steerage to London.....35
First Cabin to Paris.....105 | Steerage to Paris.....40
PAYABLE IN GOLD.
Passage by the Wednesday steamers: First Cabin, $80; Steerage, $35. Payable in U. S. currency.
Passengers also forwarded to Havre, Hamburg, Bremen, &c., at moderate rates.
Steerage passage from Liverpool or Queenstown, $30 gold, or the equivalent. Tickets can be bought here by persons sending for their friends.
For further information apply at the Company's Offices.
JOHN G. DALE, Agent, No. 15 Broadway, New-York.

PASSAGE TO AND FROM GREAT BRITAIN and IRELAND by
TAPSCOTT'S
favorite lines of LONDON and LIVERPOOL PACKETS, sailing every week. Parties wishing to send for their friends or remit money to the Old Country can do so on the most favorable terms by applying to
TAPSCOTT, BROTHERS & CO.,
No. 86 South-st.

FOR HAVANA DIRECT.
The United States mail side-wheel steamship
MORRO CASTLE,
R. L. MAS, Commander,
will leave Pier No. 4 North River, on WEDNESDAY, Feb. 28, at 3 o'clock, P. M. precisely, for Havana direct.
For freight or passage apply to
CRAWFORD, TILESTON & CO.,
No. 29 Broadway.
S. R.—The favorite steamer EAGLE, J. J. LAWRENCE, Commander, will succeed the MORRO CASTLE and leave on March 7.

UNITED STATES MAIL LINE FOR RIO DE JANEIRO,
CALLING AT
ST. THOMAS, PARA, PERNAMBUCO AND BAHIA EVERY TRIP.

THE UNITED STATES AND BRAZIL MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY
will dispatch regularly, on the 29th of each month, at 3 P. M., from Pier No. 43 North River,
ONE OF THEIR NEW FIRST-CLASS STEAMSHIPS.
THE
SOUTH AMERICA.
E. L. TINKLEPAUGH, Commander,
ON WEDNESDAY, THE 28TH OF FEBRUARY.
An experienced Surgeon is attached to each steamship.
All letters must pass through the Post-office.
Large lots of heavy freight at low rates.
For freight or passage apply to
THOMAS ASENCIO & CO.,
No. 17 Broadway.

FOR RICHMOND, CITY POINT AND NORFOLK.
GOES TO THE WHARF AT RICHMOND.
The new and elegant SIDE-WHEEL steamships
HATTERAS, Capt. LEWIS PARRISH, every SATURDAY, at 12 M.
ALBEMARLE, Capt. H. A. BOURNE, every WEDNESDAY, at 12 M.
FROM PIER NO. 36 NORTH RIVER.
Freight for Newbern, N. C., and all points on Roanoke River, as far as Halifax, forwarded by our agent at Norfolk, free of charge.
For freight or passage, having unsurpassed accommodations, apply to LIVINGSTON, FOX & CO.,
No. 141 Broadway.
Freight received on our covered pier, No. 36 North River, at all times during business hours.
Goods consigned to our address promptly forwarded.
All bills of lading signed on board the ship.

FOR NORFOLK, CITY POINT AND RICHMOND.
The OLD LINE, from Pier No. 21, North River.
NIAGARA, Capt. COUCH,
EVERY SATURDAY, at 3 P. M.
SARATOGA, Capt. KING,
EVERY WEDNESDAY, at 3 P. M.
G. HEINEKEN & PALMORE,
No. 116 Broadway,
Agents New-York and Virginia Steamship Co.

FOR MOBILE DIRECT.
REGULAR LINE.
The first-class steamships
GULF CITY, Capt. JAMES STEWART.
GULF STREAM, Capt. REUBEN MOUNT.
VICKSBURGH, Capt. WILLIAM F. MCCREERY.
MERCEDITA, Capt. E. C. WILLIAMS.
The steamer GULF CITY is now receiving freight at Pier No. 23 East River, and will sail on WEDNESDAY, Feb. 21, at 3 o'clock P. M.
For freight or passage, with superior accommodations, apply to
SMITH & DUNNING,
No. 65 South-st.
Extra freight will be charged on all goods for which bills of lading are not taken out before the steamer sails.

SHIPPING.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY'S THROUGH LINE
TO CALIFORNIA,
AND CARRYING THE UNITED STATES MAIL
leave Pier No. 42 North River, foot of Canal-st. at 12 o'clock noon, on the 1st, 11th and 21st of every month, (except when those dates fall on Sundays,) and those on the preceding Saturday, for ASPINWALL, connecting, via Panama Railway, with one of the company's steamships from Panama for SAN FRANCISCO, touching at ACAPULCO.

FEBRUARY.
1st. HENRY CHAUNCEY, connecting with the COLORADO.
10th. COSTA RICA, connecting with SACRAMENTO.
21st. NEW YORK, connecting with GOLDEN AGE.
Departures of 1st and 21st connect at Panama with steamers for SOUTH PACIFIC PORTS; 1st and 11th for CENTRAL AMERICAN PORTS. Those of 1st touch at MANZANILLO.
THROUGH PASSAGE RATES, IN CURRENCY.

	First Cabin.	Second Cabin.	Steerage.
To SAN FRANCISCO	$250	$200	$100

A discount of ONE-QUARTER from steamers' rates will be allowed to second cabin and steerage passengers accompanied by their families.
Baggage checked through. One hundred pounds allowed each adult.
An experienced surgeon on board. Medicines and attendance free.
For passage tickets or further information apply at the company's ticket office, on the wharf, foot of Canal-st., North River, New-York.
F. W. G. BELLOWS, Agent.

FOR CALIFORNIA VIA NICARAGUA.
EXTRAORDINARY LOW PRICES.

First Class.	Second Class.	Third Class.
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11 A. M. via Harlem Railroad, 26th-st. and 4th-av., connecting with trains for North and West.
3:45 P. M. via Hudson River Railroad, connecting at Troy with train for Montreal, with sleeping-cars attached.
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4:30 P. M.—Night Express, for Port Jervis and Newburgh.
5:00 P. M.—Night Express for Canandaigua, Rochester, Buffalo, Salamanca and West.
9:00 A. M. and 4:30 P. M.—Express, Daily, for Canandaigua, Rochester, Buffalo, Salamanca, Dunkirk and West; connects at Buffalo with Lake Shore and Grand Trunk Railways, and at Salamanca, with Atlantic and Great Western Railway.
8:30 P. M.—Emigrant Train, daily, for Buffalo, Salamanca, Dunkirk and West.
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Feb. 14, 1866.

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First appearance of the new Buffo,
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AT THE
ACADEMY OF MUSIC,
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Second, that the SALE OF TICKETS for non-subscribers and the public generally will take place on and after
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BIERSTADT'S LAST WORK—"STORM IN THE ROCKY MOUNTAINS," will open for exhibition, at Miner & Somerville's Gallery, No. 845 Broadway, (between 13th and 14th sts.,) on TUESDAY, Feb. 6, for the benefit of the Nursery and Child's Hospital, the entire proceeds of which will be devoted to the above charitable institution. Season tickets, $1; single admission, 50 cents.

MEETINGS.

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POSTSCRIPT.

TUESDAY, 4 O'CLOCK, A. M.

FIVE DAYS LATER FROM EUROPE.

Arrival of the Moravian at Portland.

Opening of the British Parliament by Queen Victoria.

Friendly Allusions to the United States In the Speech from the Throne.

The Correspondence Relative to the Rebel Cruisers to be Laid Before Parliament.

Address of the French Senate in Reply to the Emperor's Speech.

PORTLAND, Tuesday, Feb. 20—1:30 A. M.

The steamship *Moravian*, from Liverpool Feb. 8, via Londonderry 9th inst., has arrived.

The steamship *City of New-York*, from New-York, arrived at Queenstown on the 7th.

The steamship *Hansa*, from New-York, arrived at Southampton on the 8th.

The steamship *St. David*, from Portland, arrived at Londonderry on the 7th.

The steamship *Erin*, from New-York, arrived at Queenstown on the 8th.

The steamer *Atlanta*, from Havre for New-York, put back on the 6th with her screw damaged.

The *George Spicer*, from Baltimore for Londonderry, was off Dodmore; cargo shifted.

The *Monmouth*, from Liverpool for New-Orleans, was at Abernock Roads; lost her foreiopsail.

The United States war steamers *Canandaigua* and *Shenandoah* arrived at Madeira Jan. 21, from Boston.

Great Britain.

Queen VICTORIA opened Parliament on the 6th. The speech expresses satisfaction at the successful termination of the American War and the Abolition of Slavery, and says that the correspondence relative to the Rebel cruisers will be laid before Parliament.

Parliamentary proceedings on the 7th were unimportant.

Mr. PUTTER, in the House of Commons, moved for a copy of the correspondence relative to the removal of Mr. GORDON from the Magistracy in Jamaica, and the circumstances connected with the Morant Bay lock-up case. The motion was agreed to.

Lord DUFFERIN remains in the Ministry and succeeds Marquis HARTINGTON as Under Secretary of War.

The *Pall Mall Gazette* announces Lieut. AUFELD's acceptance of the Under Secretaryship of India.

Lord MONTEAGLE died on the 7th.

The Dublin Police had discovered a Fenian armory in that city.

A circular of GUION & Co., of Liverpool, shows the exports of British textile fabrics from that port for New-York during January are greatly in excess of any previous year. Referring to this statement the *Times* city article, says it is stated that thus far during February there is considerable decrease in the shipments, and that the decrease is expected to continue owing to the fulfillment of contracts and the absence of fresh orders coming forward.

SATTERTHWAITE'S Circular of the evening of the 7th, says: Notwithstanding the depression on Stock Exchange, American securities have remained firm. Five-twenties have been in fair demand for investment, both in the London market and for European account, and in the absence of any large shipments from America, have advanced nearly 1 ₱ cent., closing at 67¾@67¾. Illinois Central and Erie Shares remained steady until after official hours on the 7th, when telegrams were received from New-York to the 27th ult., reporting fall markets, caused depression and decline, Illinois closing at 74½@75, and Erie shares at 52¾@53¼. Five-twenties were unchanged.

France.

The proposed address of the French Senate in reply to the Emperor's speech repudiates the idea that the French troops are to be withdrawn from Mexico under American menaces.

The Corps Legislatif by a vote of 158 to 58 resolved that the proposals of the Minister of Finance relative to the augmentation of the Sinking Fund should be referred to the Committee on the Budget.

Bourse firmer; Rentes 68f. 90c.

Spain and Chili.

The London *Times* publishes a translation of a letter from the late Admiral PAREJA, written just before his suicide to a friend in Europe. It shows that he was overwhelmed with the idea of having inflicted the calamity of war on two friendly nations. He says: "This letter will convey to you news of my death. The errors of judgment and not of will, with which I have unfortunately misguided the Government of my Queen, cannot have any other expiation. I have been unjust and prejudiced against TAVIRA. Request him to pardon me. He did know this Republic better than anybody else, and his advice and proceedings were ever safe and sound. It is the interest of our country to embrace the first moment to make peace with Chili.

A telegram from Rotterdam says:

The Chilian privateer *Independencia* remained at Temense, closely watched by a Dutch frigate.

In the Spanish Senate during a debate on address in response to the Queen's speech. The Minister of State said the recognition of Italy by Spain had no significance beyond the renewal of diplomatic intercourse between the two countries. An amendment which had been proposed regretting the recognition of the Italian Kingdom was rejected by 100 against 65 votes.

The Duchies.

A public meeting recently held at Altona to consider the state of the Duchies, had given rise to correspondence between the two great German Powers. Austria expressed her decided disapproval of the proceedings of the meeting.

India.

The mails of Jan. 13 from Bombay, and Jan. 7 from Calcutta, had been received. News unimportant.

Cape of Good Hope.

Mails from Table Bay to Jan. 2 had been received

The Basuto war continued unchanged in Natal.

The Colenso difficulty was still unsolved.

West Coast of Africa.

The January mails from the various ports of the west coast of Africa are received. The news is devoid of interest. Trade was very dull at all ports except at Bathurst, where it was brisk.

Summary of News by the City of Baltimore.

The following is the summary of dispatches by the steamer *City of Baltimore*:

Queen VICTORIA opened Parliament in person on the 6th. The speech was read by the Lord Chancellor.

She opens by announcing the approaching marriage of the Princess HELENA, and regretting the death of the King of the Belgians. She says foreign relations are satisfactory, and the recent meetings of the French and English fleets tended to confirm the existing friendship. She rejoices that the American civil war has been successfully terminated, and that people are wisely repairing ravages. The abolition of Slavbry calls forth her cordial sympathy and congratulations. It is also satisfactory to state that the slave trade on the African coast has been reduced to very narrow limits. The correspondence relative to the injuries to American commerce by cruisers under the Confederate flag will be laid before Parliament. Satisfaction is expressed at the renewal of diplomatic relations with Brazil, and regret at the Spanish-Chilian difficulty; but the good offices of England and France have been accepted. The treaties with Austria and Japan are referred to with satisfaction.

The deplorable events in Jamaica are referred to with regret, and the measures taken in the matter are detailed. The proceedings still in progress in British North America for confederation are watched with interest, and great importance is attached to the subject. Great concern is expressed for the cattle plague, and deep sympathy for the sufferers. The Fenian conspiracy is referred to as adverse alike to authority, property, and religion. The authority of law has been firmly and impartially vindicated. Reference is then made to sundry local measures, including one on reform.

A warm debate encued in both Houses on the Government course in regard to the cattle plague.

An amendment survive the Government was moved in the House of Lords, but withdrawn, and an address in reply to the speech was passed.

The debate in the Commons stands adjourned.

Secretary CHARLES WOOD has resigned the office of Secretary of State for India. The *Herald* says LAYARD is spoken of as his successor. The resignation is attributed to the question of health and a desire for private life.

The *Times* warmly eulogizes Mr. WOOD's long official career.

Lord DE GREY succeeds Sir C. WOOD as Secretary of India, and Marquis HALLINGTON succeeds DE GRAY in the War Department.

A meeting had been held in London of persons interested in submarine telegraph cables, presided over by Earl SHAFTESBURY, to consider the merits of MACKINTOSH's system for constructing cables, and procure its adoption, as it is claimed for MACKINTOSH's system that its insulating power is so superior that eighty per cent. more signaling power can be obtained than in the late Atlantic cable; that the cable is strong enough to sustain twenty miles of its length in water, and that three cables, under the new system, can be constructed for the cost of one like the Atlantic Company's. The proposition was mooted for laying the cable direct from England to the United States, via Falmouth and Cape Cod. The meeting adjourned to a future day.

On closing the special commission for the Fenian's trials at Dublin the Judges highly eulogized the proceedings. GAINOR and other jurors claimed that the whole course adopted had been worked with moderation and justice, and would be fully approved by the country.

Three soldiers and seven civilians had been arrested at Connemara, charged with Fenianism.

The address of the French Senate in reply to the Emperor's speech expresses satisfaction that the mission of Prince NAPOLEON to Mexico approaches completion, and says the firm communication made by the Emperor to the United States has demonstrated that haughty and menacing language will not cause France to withdraw. France is accustomed to move only at her own time. But she nevertheless wishes to remember her ancient friendship with America. What is asked of the United States is neutrality and observance of international law.

The Spanish Governor of Cadiz had been notified by telegraph by the Spanish Minister at London that two vessels had left the Mersey under Peruvian flags, but destined for privateering against Spain under the Chilian flag. The same dispatch asserted that two other vessels were being fitted out on the Clyde with a similar object.

In the Spanish Chamber of Deputies, the following amendment to the address in response to the Queen's speech had been offered: Our financial difficulties increasing from day to day will cause the ruin of agriculture and manufactures. It is necessary to balance expenditure with revenue, as it is impossible to raise taxes, already too heavy. We must make reductions to the amount of 300,000,000 reals. It is only by this means that we shall reestablish our credit, and avoid dangers which threaten us.

Lengthy details are published of a great entertainment, to be given on the 19th of January to Gen. CLAY, the American Minister at Russia, while traveling in the interior, by the Corporation and merchants of MOSCOW.

Very Latest via Londonderry.

LIVERPOOL, Friday, Feb. 9.

In the House of Commons, yesterday, THE O'DONOGHUE moved an amendment to the address, declaring it to be the duty of the Ministers to examine into the causes of Irish dissatisfaction, and remove them. After a general debate on Fenianism, the amendment was rejected by a vote of 346 to 25, and the address was agreed to.

PESTH, Thursday, Feb. 8.

The Austrian Government is about to send an answer to the Prussian Government firmly refusing the demands of the latter with respect to the question of the duchies.

LONDON, Friday, Feb. 9.

The *Times* City article says the discount market is without alteration, the demand being steady both at bank and elsewhere. On the Stock Exchange money was in rather better supply yesterday at 6½@7 ₱ cent.

Financial and Commercial.

LIVERPOOL, Thursday, Feb. 8.

COTTON—Sales of four days, 45,000 bales, including 16,000 to speculators and exporters. Market firmer, and ⅛d.@⅜d. higher: Middling Uplands quoted about 19d.

STATE OF TRADE.—Manchester market quiet but firm.

BREADSTUFFS.—RICHARDSON, SPENCE & Co. report: Flour dull and nominal. Wheat inactive and declining; Winter Red 10s.@10s. 6d. Corn flat at 29s. 6d. for mixed.

PROVISIONS—BIGLAND, ATHYA & Co. report: Beef steady. Pork firmer. Bacon firm, and 1s.@2s. higher. Butter still declining. Cheese tends upward and prices of the fine qualities are higher. Lard still advancing. Tallow firm at 48s. 6d.

PRODUCE.—Ashes flat. Sugar inactive. Coffee quiet Rice steady. Rosin steady at 11s. 6d. Spirits Turpentine quiet. Petroleum firm; refined 2s. 4d.@2s. 5d.

LONDON MARKETS.—Breadstuffs heavy, but nominally unchanged. Sugar easier. Coffee steady. Tea firmer. Rice firm. Tallow firm.

LONDON MONEY MARKET.

The discount market was without any new feature. The Bank rate remains at 8, and in the open market the quotation is only fractionally lower. Funds are dull but steady.

Latest via Londonderry.

LIVERPOOL, Friday, Feb. 9—Evening.

COTTON—The Brokers' Circular reports the sales of the week at 70,000 bales, including 8,500 to speculators and 17,000 to exporters. The market is buoyant, and ⅛d. higher for American. Other descriptions tend downward, and are ¼d.@⅜d. lower.

The authorized quotations are: Fair Orleans, 21d.; Middling Orleans, 19½d.; Fair Mobiles, 20¾d.; Middling Mobiles, 19¼d.; Fair Uplands, 20¾d.; Middling Uplands, 19¼d. The sales to-day (Friday) are estimated at 15,000 bales, including 5,000 to speculators and exporters; the market closing with holders demanding a further advance.

STATE OF TRADE.—The Manchester market is firmer and prices tend upward.

BREADSTUFFS very dull and tending downward.

PROVISIONS steady. Lard still advancing.

LONDON, Friday, Feb. 9—Evening.

Consols, 89¾@89⅞. United States five-twenties, 67¼@67¾. Illinois Central Shares, 74½@75. Erie Shares, 52¾@53⅛.

The Bullion in the Bank of England has increased £108,500.

LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

FIRES.

The Fire-Marshal's Semi-Annual Report—Interesting Statistics and Suggestions.

The report of Fire-Marshal BAKER for the six months ending Nov. 30th, 1865, was presented to the Common Council yesterday.

From this document it appears that the total number of fires for the half-year was 171, or twelve less than occurred during the same period of 1864.

The aggregate losses for the half-year were unprecedently heavy. The alleged losses were $3,988,304; insurance $5,805,846, and the amounts paid by the underwriters $3,148,462, or about 72 per cent. of the whole loss. The losses paid during the preceding six months ending May 31, 1865, were only about 39 per cent. of the whole loss, and during the half-year ending Nov. 30, 1864, about 56 per cent.

The large increase in the proportion of losses paid was owing to the very destructive fires which occurred in bonded and free storage stores, the merchandise in such stores being usually fully covered by insurance.

CAUSES OF FIRES.

The following are some of the principal causes of fires and alarms during the past half year;

Chimneys and chimney flues, 20; matches in the hands of children, 9; fireworks, 21; furnaces, 3; benzine, 2; gas and gaslights, 11; spontaneous combustion, 6; kerosene lamps, 12; stoves and stove pipes, 13; cigars, 2; intoxication, 3; steam boilers, 2; dripping fat, 2; sparks on roofs, 7; window curtains, 4; false alarms, 15; straw beds, 6, shavings, 7.

DEATHS BY FIRE.

In burning buildings, 2 men, 1 woman; clothing from stoves, 2 women, 3 girls; kerosene lamp explosions and using oil for making fire in stoves, 6 women, 4 girls; various causes, 2 women, 2 boys, 3 girls, Total, 25.

The incendiary fires numbered 60, of which 13 were in stables and 6 in tenement houses. Twenty-four persons were arrested on suspicion of setting fire to these places, of whom only one (STEPHEN H. BROWN) has been committed for trial.

STORAGE WAREHOUSES.

The report of the Fire Marshal is prefaced by some remarks on storage warehouses which appear to be worthy of attention. The report says:

"In the progress of our City, there is no feature more remarkable than the general improvement observable in our street architecture. It would be well if, in our anxiety to create, we were to bestow some attention on the means of preventing the destruction of the edifices thus called into existence. In the construction of warehouses, more especially, there is a strange indifference manifested in this regard. Huge piles of buildings are being daily erected in which precautions against fire are either imperfectly provided for or entirely overlooked. It seems to me that the frequent conflagrations that are taking place in warehouses of this character, particularly those containing cotton have again begun to accumulate, should have the effect of awakening the attention of underwriters to the subject. They should either insist on the adoption of certain obvious measures of protection, or largely increase their premiums so as to cover the risks arising from such neglect. Under the present system, the only consideration with warehousemen is how they can pack the largest amount of property in the smallest amount of space. I make use of the term "pack" advisedly, for to such a point is the process carried that there is scarcely an avenue left for passage from one floor to another. In almost every warehouse is to be found merchandise of different kinds, piled up so close to the windows as to render access to them difficult or impossible in case of fire. Another practice, which is attended with disastrous results, is that of storing cotton with other valuable goods. The effect of mixing teas, coffees and other perishable articles, with cotton, is to occasion additional risk to the former articles, and infinite loss to losses on the Insurance Companies. There is always a salvage to be secured on cotton, but the other kinds of merchandise stored with it are almost certain to be totally destroyed. Obviously, then, prudence dictates the storing of cotton separately in all cases. So does it suggest the necessity of leaving in warehouses a space of at least two feet between the merchandise and the windows of the building, in order that, in case of fire opposite or adjoining, water can be applied to the inside of the shutters, and thus prevent fire from entering the building. In many instances I have known a building set on fire by heat communicated through the shutter to the goods piled against it, while the passage-way to reach the window was blocked up with goods. Another practice fruitful of danger, as recent experience has shown, is that of picking cotton on the sidewalk or street, and then scraping up the pickings and stowing them in bags, which are deposited in the store at night. During the day the refuse cotton is subjected to contact with a variety of substances, which are liable to combustion; the end of a lighted cigar, for instance, accidentally thrown down by a passer-by, or some chemical compound maliciously flung among it, would produce a smouldering fire and escape observation, only bursting into flame hours or days afterward. That some of the recent heavy cotton fires which have taken place are to be attributed to these causes, I think there can scarcely be a question. Since the close of war, vast quantities of the staple have been sent to New-York, and a large portion of it has been left exposed on the docks or streets. It is well known that there are gangs of dock thieves constantly at work in concert with the speculators in damaged cotton, and that no more profitable field for their operations can be offered than the cotton left thus unprotected. If they find it profitable to carry off the bales, as is frequently done, by pushing them into the river, how much easier is it for them to insert in those lying on the wharf combustibles arranged to burn slowly, and produce the results desired within a given space of time. Large amounts of money are made by the purchase of the cotton thus damaged, so that a strong motive is supplied for incendiary operations of this kind.

If the insurance companies were to agree on some common basis of action on the subject, they could no doubt effect a vast improvement on the present storage system. Two courses are open to them, viz.: either to insist that the warehouses insured shall be under the general supervision of their own Board; or to erect warehouses themselves for the general accommodation, which shall be so classified for the storage of different kinds of goods, as to diminish the risks arising from their indiscriminate storage. In any event, the practice of storing cotton with other merchandise should at once be put an end to.

THE THIRTY-FIFTH-STREET HOMICIDE.

A Watchman Assaulted and Fatally Injured—Inquest on the Body by Coroner Wildey—A Possible Clue to the Assailants.

On the morning of Thursday last a private watchman, named PHILLIP KRAEMER, in the employ of Messrs. HEINEMAN, SILBERMAN & Co., manufacturers of silk trimmings, doing business at Nos. 417, 419 and 421 West Thirty-fifth-street, was found by FREDERICK KRAMER, a workman at the factory, in one of the rooms, in a state of insensibility from the effects of several severe wounds about his head and body, supposed to have been inflicted by a gang of burglars, as about $2,000 worth of goods were subsequently discovered to be missing, as already reported in the TIMES.

It is presumed from a careful examination of the premises that the burglars gained an entrance into the building by forcing open one of the front basement windows, and then proceeded up stairs on their way to the storerooms. Meeting the watchman, KRAEMER, in the office on the second floor, they made an assault upon him, using their jimmies as weapons of offence. From the appearance of the clothing of the injured man, he no doubt made a desperate resistance, as he was covered with blood. Numbers, however, proved too much for him, as his skull was fractured, and twenty-one wounds were found on his head and scalp. The burglars, after silencing the watchman, proceeded to collect what convenient plunder they could lay their hands on, and escaped without being detected.

When the Police made an examination of the room where KRAEMER was found, the walls and ceiling were sprinkled with blood, and a track of blood was also traced from the room down the stairs to the windows whence the assailants escaped.

After languishing in an insensible condition until Sunday evening, KRAEMER sank beneath the effects of the injuries he had received.

Yesterday afternoon an inquest was held by Coroner WILDEY, at the residence of the deceased, No. 420 West Thirty-fifth-street, when the following evidence was elicited:

STATEMENT OF GUSTAVE UNGER.

I reside at No. 423 West Thirty-fifth-street; I am engaged in the manufacture of trimmings at Nos. 417, 419 and 421 West Thirty-fifth-street; deceased was in my employ as watchman; I last saw him at six o'clock last Wednesday evening; he remained from six in the evening till seven the next morning; his duties were to walk around, through, and watch the factory; the next I saw of him was on Thursday morning at six o'clock; I saw him lying on the floor in the office; my attention was called to deceased by Frederick Kramer, the fireman; he said there was something wrong as he could not get in, and the watchman did not come out; Kramer got in the window of the factory and found deceased lying on the floor covered with blood; I got out of bed and on going in saw the deceased on the floor; I found that my place had been broken in and robbed of silk goods amounting to $2,000 in value; the burglars broke in the basement window and went up the front steps into the office. Deceased generally sat in the front room, where he could get a view of the office and back-room.

STATEMENT OF FREDERICK KRAMER.

I reside at No. 404 Ninth-avenue; I am a silk weaver; I left the deceased in the factory on Wednesday evening last, about six o'clock; I came there at six o'clock the next morning and pushed against the door; I could not get in; Mr. Unger told me to get in the basement window; I went up stairs and found deceased lying on the floor; I spoke to him and pushed him, when he made a noise, but could not speak; I called Mr. Unger, who came in immediately; I went at once for the doctor; the basement window was about an inch open when I got in; I saw deceased's pistol lying in a paper box on a bench in one corner of the room; there was blood upon the floor where deceased lay.

STATEMENT OF CAPT. WALLING.

I am Captain of Police at the Twentieth Precinct; I have made an examination of the premises where deceased was killed; the parties that entered the place must have entered by jumping over the iron railing around the basement windows, and tried the shutters; there were nine of these windows; on the one nearest Ninth-avenue the bolt had not been fastened; these shutters were found open, and the window raised; after entering, they knocked off the boards covering an old window, through which they passed; after that they must have traveled the entire length of the building, and gone up a flight of stairs, then returned on the next floor again through the building, and entered the office where deceased was found; he must have either been asleep when the parties entered and knocked him on the head, or he must have heard the noise, and on going to ascertain the cause have been attacked; they must have got out by another window than the one by which they entered; I have been unable to discover any trace to the persons who entered the building, except at about half-past five o'clock on Thursday morning, four men got into a Tenth-avenue car, on the corner of Thirty-fifth-street, each having bundles in their possession; these men got out at the corner of Albany and West streets.

STATEMENT OF DR. BEACH.

I have made a *poste-mortem* examination of the body now lying dead at this place; it was of good muscular development and well nourished; there were marks of violence on the body, particularly about the head; on the face and scalp were twenty-one wounds, of various sizes and depths, but evidently all inflicted with the same instrument, probably a heavy bar of iron with square corners; on both hands were cuts and bruises; the skin on the right knuckles were rubbed off, also of two fingers; on opening into the cavity of the skull there was a severe compound fracture of the occipital bone, a little to the right of the median line, and near its juncture with the parietal bone; there was a counter fracture of the base of the skull on the opposite side of the head; considerable hemorrhage had taken place beneath the duramater and between that membrane and the skull; death, in my opinion, was caused by shock to the system from the injury to the head, together with the compression of the brain from the hemorrhage.

This closing the evidence the case was submitted to the Jury, who brought in the following:

VERDICT.

"That PHILIP KRAEMER, the deceased, came to his death by fracture of the skull, with some blunt instrument, at the hands of some person or persons unknown to them. The Jury further recommend to His Honor, the Mayor, to offer a reward for the apprehension of the guilty parties."

The firm in whose service the deceased met his death have already offered a reward of $100 for the apprehension and conviction of the murderers. KRAEMER was a native of Germany, 38 years of age.

DESCRIPTION OF THE SUSPECTED MURDERERS.

The following description of the four men spoken of by Capt. WALLING, was given by him before the Jury:

"One of said parties is about 5 feet 10 inches in height, smooth face, 26 to 30 years of age, rather stout built, had one of his hands bound up, believed to be the left hand, which is supposed to have been injured while getting over the iron railing in front of the manufactory; was dressed in dark clothes, and wore either a fur or plush cap. Another of the men was about 5 feet 6 inches in height, with black moustache and imperial, and wore a soft felt hat, dark English walking-coat and drab pants, was about 23 or 24 years of age, and very good looking. Another of the suspected murderers was about 5 feet 5 inches in height, 22 years of age, slim built, had on a dark coat and black velvet cap. The fourth man could not be described, except that he wore a felt hat."

Why so Gently o'er me Stealing?

If the clever professional gentleman who with such artistic skill and address relieved me of my pocket-book, as I was entering the car at the corner of Fourteenth-street and University-place, to go down town, on Friday night last, will have the kindness to return to me so much of the contents as shall, upon reflection, prove "unavailable" to himself, I shall not only regard it as a special favor, but will in future endeavor to carry upon my person a larger amount in greenbacks. He will find my name upon sundry railroad tickets and other papers within the wallet, and may consult the *City Directory* for my residence. He may take such means of conveying to me the lost papers as shall seem advisable to himself.

VICTIM.

THE WASHINGTON-STREET HOMICIDE.—Mr. AUGUSTUS LEDKIE, who was fatally shot with a pistol by an unknown man engaged in a running fight in Washington-street, on the 16th inst., died, during Sunday night, from the effects of the wound so received, at the New-York Hospital. An inquest will be held this morning at 9 o'clock.

TEMPERANCE.—The fourth grand temperance meeting of the Lafayette-avenue Temperance Society, will take place this evening at 7:30 o'clock, in the Lafayette-avenue Church, (Rev. T. L. CUYLER's,) Brooklyn. P. T. BARNUM, Esq., and Rev. T. L. CUYLER will address the meeting.

LAW REPORTS.

Court Calendar—THIS DAY.

SUPREME COURT—CIRCUIT.—*Part I.*—Oyer and Terminer. Held by Justice BARNARD. The Oram murder case. *Part II.*—Held in the General Term room by Justice CLERKE. Court opens at 10:30 A. M. Nos. 862, 840, 1222, 1256, 1260, 1264, 1266, 1268, 1280, 1263, 1266, 1270, 1272, 1274, 1278, 1280, 1282, 1284, 1288, 1290. *Part III.*—Held by Justice FOSTER at No. 73 Duane-street. Court opens at 10 A. M. Nos. 311, 1925, 154, 630, 636, 540, 835, 284, 306, 698, 830, 903, 790, 158, 885, 382, 312, 790, 851, 678.

SUPREME COURT—CHAMBERS.—Held by Justice INGRAHAM. Nos. 19, 35, 36. Call commences at No. 42.

SUPREME COURT—SPECIAL TERM.—Held by Justice SUTHERLAND on the third floor of No. 73 Duane-street; Court to open at 11 A. M.—Nos. 175, 277, 190, 139, 250, 142, 242, 252, 253, 254, 255, 267, 268, 259, 260, 261, 263, 188, 164, 273, 247, 72, 75, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 96.

SUPERIOR COURT.—*Part I.*—Nos. 1743, 990½, 1795, 1351, 5037, 491, 1755, 1903, 4303, 1589, 1779, 1513, 1799, 1475, 1395. *Part II.*—Nos. 1752, 2400, 2482, 2496, 1528, 2326, 2502, 2462, 2400, 2338, 2498, 2500, 2506, 2508, 2510.

COMMON PLEAS—GENERAL TERM.—Held by all the Judges, for the hearing of cases on appeal.

Another Counterfeit-Passer.

UNITED STATES COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE.

Before Commissioner Osborn.

Yesterday, Sylvester D. Alvord was taken before Commissioner Osborn, charged with passing and having in his possession counterfeit fifty cent. currency notes. It appears that the accused has been for some time in the habit of passing currency at the bar of the Metropolitan Hotel; that fourteen fifty cent counterfeits had been passed by him at the bar before he was detected; that no notice was taken of the money until it was handed back and brought back. At this juncture the barkeeper determined to watch, and succeeded in the capture of the accused. After his arrest twenty counterfeit fifty cent currency notes were found in his possession. They were the same kind as those which he had passed at the Metropolitan Hotel.

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The Wagner Murder Case—Judgment Affirmed—Opinion of Justice Ingraham.

SUPREME COURT—GENERAL TERM—FEB. 19.

Present, Presiding Justice Barnard, Justices Clerke and Ingraham.

George Wagner, Plaintiff in Error, vs. The People, &c.—The following opinion has just been delivered in this case by Justice INGRAHAM:

This case was submitted to us by the District-Attorney on his brief. The points have been handed in for the prisoner since the adjournment, and I have examined the case attentively, and have found no exceptions taken to the evidence, and only one to the charge. As to that exception, it is sufficient to say that the charge was in accordance with the decision of the Court of Appeals in the People *vs.* Clark, and in various cases since in that court, and which have been uniformly followed here. There was no error made in that respect. In looking over the testimony I see no reason to doubt the correctness of the verdict. The homicide was proved beyond a doubt, and there was no evidence that would have warranted a finding of insanity, unless we adopt the general proposition that every one who unlawfully takes the life of another is insane. There was testimony that when he came in he appeared to be excited, but no such excitement is shown after the deed was committed. The good character shown to belong to the prisoner cannot avail against clear proof of guilt. It is only where doubt exists as to the commission of the crime and the intent of the party that good character will protect him. Some technical questions have been made by the prisoner's counsel, which remain to be noticed. First, that it does not appear that the Grand Jury who found the indictment had been sworn previous to their action. In the error book it is said that it was done by the oath of Charles J. Leonington, Foreman, Hector, Armstrong and others. The word oath should have been oaths, and is probably so in the original, and the body of the indictment states that the jurors upon their oath present. This is sufficient. After verdict such a defect would be ceased by the statute. The second objection is, that the witnesses do not state the place of the murder to have been in the City of New-York. The testimony is that the crime was committed at No. 515 Broomestreet, and the answer to this objection is that it should have been taken on the trial. From the course of examination on the trial it is apparent that all parties acted on the admission that the murder was in the City of New-York. Had the objection been made on the trial, it would have been answered at once by a single question to the witness. It is too late now to seek to make such an objection available. The same remark applies to the third objection, viz., that the witnesses do not state the year in which the injury was inflicted, to show that it produced death within a year and a day. The indictment charges the offence to have been committed in July, 1865. The year in which it occurred was not a subject of inquiry by the counsel for the prisoner. There is, however, evidence from which, if necessary, the jury could infer the killing to be in 1865. Keyer was asked by the prisoner's counsel when his relations with the witness ceased prior to the homicide, to which he replied the prisoner left his place in February, 1865. It is not, however, at all material, where it is evident that the case was tried on the assumption that the death occurred during the year, and no objection is taken, and no inquiry made by the prisoner's counsel on the subject. It is a well settled rule that a party cannot object to such defects of testimony, if no objection is taken on the trial, because if made they would at once have been removed by an examination of the witness. There is no good reason stated for interfering with the judgment, and we can see no error committed in the Court below calling for a new trial.

Judgment affirmed.

A Tax Lease Set Aside.

SUPREME COURT—SECOND DISTRICT.

Before Justice Joseph F. Barnard.

Sanders vs. Faughnan.—In 1862 a special act for the collection of taxes in Westchester County was passed, under which the plaintiff's lands were sold, and a lease for fifty years given to the purchaser by the county. The plaintiff brought this action to declare the lease void, owing to certain informalities in the proceedings, by which it was argued the county officers failed to acquire jurisdiction. The case was closely litigated, it being considered a test of the law.

Judgment was rendered for the plaintiff, setting aside the lease on the ground that the Treasurer of the County, by reason of certain omissions in notices, &c., had no right to sell.

Action Against a Life Insurance Company—Fraudulent Representations Charged by Defendants.

SUPERIOR COURT—TRIAL TERM.—PART I.—FEB. 19.

Before Justice McCunn and a Jury.

Chas. Ranftle vs. The New-York Life Insurance Company.—A trial of no little interest to all concerned in the life insurance business, whether as insurers or insured, is now in progress in the Superior Court of this City, before Justice MCCUNN and a jury. The title of the action is Chas. Ranftle *vs.* The New-York Life Insurance Company. It is brought to recover the sum of $5,000, which is the amount of a policy issued on the 7th of March, 1861, by the Company named, on the life of one Leopold Ranftle, a brother of the plaintiff. The complaint alleges that Leopold died a natural death on or about the 26th of August, 1861, and that he had not, between the time his life was insured in this Company whereby, according to the terms and true intent of the agreement in the policy, the same had become forfeited. The plaintiff claims to be a legal representative of the deceased, and is now the real party plaintiff in interest. It is furthermore averred that proof of Leopold's death was furnished the Company in the September next after his decease; and the defendants having refused to pay the $5,000, a suit was commenced against them in December, 1861.

The answer of the defendants admits that the Company insured Leopold Ranftle's life for $5,000 at about the time claimed by the plaintiff; they also admit that proof of his death was furnished them, but they say they are not liable to pay the $5,000, or any part thereof, for the reason that Leopold, at the time of being examined by the Company's physician and surgeon, falsely and with intent to deceive, stated he was in good health, was not of intemperate habits, had no pulmonary or other disease, &c.; going through with all the long catalogue of diseases in regard to which formal questions are invariably asked by insurance companies agents of all persons desiring to effect an insurance on their lives. The defendants claim as a part of their defence, that the deceased was a man of very intemperate habits; that he had a pulmonary disease upon him at the time he was examined, and concealed that fact from the examining physician; that when he said on his examination that he had never been seriously ill it was not true; also that he made false representations in regard to his father, mother, and other near relatives.

The defendants also claim that during the year of Leopold's death, he, in connection with his brother Charles, who is the plaintiff in the action, and another brother, named August Ranftle, entered into a conspiracy to defraud the defendants, and also to defraud other Life Insurance Companies; that Leopold's life was insured for $10,000 in the Mutual Benefit Insurance Company; that it was insured for $5,000 with the defendants, and that the British Commercial Life Insurance Company was applied to to take $3,000 on Leopold's life, which application was refused. The defendants also say that the Manhattan Life Insurance Company refused to take a risk on Leopold's life of $10,000 after being repeatedly urged to do so.

The trial of the action will be continued at 11 o'clock this morning.

For plaintiff, Ex-Judge Dean; for defendants, Wm. Fullerton, Esq.

Court of Oyer and Terminer.

Before Judge Barnard.

The case of Oram, charged with the murder of Mr. Van Doran in Beaver-street, some months ago, came up for trial yesterday. As soon as the Jury had been impanneled, the Judge adjourned the Court till to-day, when it is expected that the trial will proceed.

Court of Appeals—September Term.

Ira M. Ingraham vs. *John J. Robbins.*—The Court held that the Legislature, in requiring the statement of facts accompanying a judgment by confession to be properly verified by the simple oath of the party intended, that in so far as it related to things within the knowledge of affiant, he should affirm it to be true.

That when the party only swears that he believes the above statement of confession to be true, the affidavit is insufficient, and the judgment entered thereupon will be vacated.

That the Court will not allow parties to adopt forms of language less binding upon their consciences than a direct affirmation; because to do so, would tend to weaken the safeguards which the law had provided.

The People ex rel. Lewis, Assignee, &c., vs. The Canal Appraisers.—The Mohawk River in this State is a navigable stream, and the title to the bed of such river is in the people. Riparian owners along the stream are not entitled to damages for any diversion of use of the waters of the Mohawk by the State.

In this case, the subject of navigable streams was elaborately discussed by Judge DAVIS, in which he held the opinion that the common law rules, determining the legal navigability of rivers did not apply in this country.

These questions came before the Court on a *mandamus* to compel the Canal Appraisers to assess and appraise damages sustained by the relator by reason of the diversion and use of the waters of the Mohawk for purposes of the Erie Canal.

Elisha B. Morrill, Respondent, vs. The Irving Fire Insurance Company, Appellant.—The policy in this case contained a clause making it optional with the company to rebuild or repair the building within a reasonable time in case of loss, in lieu of paying the insurance in money.

The Court held that where there is a provision in a contract of insurance, that instead of paying the damages in money in cases of loss, the insurers may elect to rebuild, and, on giving the stipulated notice to the insured of such election, the contract of insurance is converted into a building contract. That where such premises were insured in two separate companies for distinct sums, and each contract of insurance the same stipulations on the subject of electing to rebuild, and both companies united in notifying their election to rebuild after the loss, the insured might maintain his action against the said companies jointly or severally for a breach of the contract to rebuild.

That where the insurers elected to rebuild, and partially performed their contract but desisted therefrom before completing it, the rule of damage in an action brought by the insured for the non-performance of the building contract, would be the amount it would take to complete the building by making it substantially like the one destroyed; and that independent of what had already been expended thereon.

That after the insurers had converted their contract of insurance to a building contract, the amount of insurance named in the policy ceased to be the limit of damages.

The insured having brought his action aga nst one of the companies may recover the full amount of damage against such company.

Decisions.

SUPREME COURT—GENERAL TERM—FEB. 19.

Present, G. G. Barnard, F. J., and Clerke and Ingraham, JJ.—Cases argued at the January Term.

Leonard Appleby *vs.* The Astor Fire Insurance Company; new trial ordered; costs to abide the event. The Same *vs.* The Firemen's Fund Insurance Company; the same decision; opinion by Ingraham, J. Nathaniel S. Libbey et al., *vs.* Barak T. Nichols; judgment affirmed with costs; opinion by Clerke, J., Ingraham, J., dissenting. George Wagner, plaintiff in error, *vs.* The People of the State of New-York; judgment affirmed; Opinion by Ingraham, J. The Hicksville, &c., Railroad Company *vs.* The Long Island Railroad Company; order affirmed with costs. Opinion by Barnard, P. J. Armond Peugnet *vs.* Caroline L. Peugnet; order affirmed with costs. Opinion by Barnard, P. J. D. C. Wharton Smith et al. *vs.* The Independent Telegraph Company; judgment affirmed with costs. Opinion by Barnard, P. J. Joel Melick *vs.* Charles Knox; judgment affirmed with costs. Opinion by Barnard, P. J. The People on the Relation of Alonzo Ellis *vs.* Mathew Brennan, Comptroller, &c.; order reversed and a peremptory mandamus ordered with costs; opinion by Ingraham, J. The People on the relation of Market Commissioners *vs.* The Common Council of the City of New-York; order affirmed with costs; opinion by Clerke, J., Ingraham, J. dissenting. The People on the relation of Dennis *vs.* M. T. Brennan, Comptroller, &c.; order affirmed with costs; Barnard, P. J. dissenting; opinions by Barnard and Ingraham, J. J. Joseph W. Savage *vs.*